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THE BREMERHAVEN EXPLOSION

Partial List of Killed and Wounded.

Alleged Intention of a Passenger on the Mosel to Destroy the Steamer.

BREMERHAVEN, December 13.—The passengers of the steamship Mosel killed and wounded by the explosion of dynamite were as follows: Steerage passengers—Henrich Kontz, Otto Krieniche and Adolph Kaufman, natives of North Germany. Cabin passenger wounded—Mrs. Martins, of Bremen. Steerage passengers wounded—Rudolph Witte, of New York; Wilhelm Schmidt, Joseph Dancer and Wilhelm Thomas.

There was altogether fifty-seven persons killed and thirty-three wounded, the majority being residents of Bremerhaven who went to the dock as spectators of the shipment of passengers.

The man who delivered the box of dynamite had planned that the explosion should take place on the ocean during the voyage of the Mosel outward.

The steamship Salier, will sail for New York to-morrow in place of the Mosel.

LONDON, December 13.—A report came from Bremen to-day that the passenger who attempted to commit suicide, and whose name is Thomas, had confessed that there was another case of explosive material on board the Mosel; that it was provided with clockwork apparatus which was timed to explode in eight days, when the Mosel should be in midocean, and he intended to land at Southampton, his object being to destroy the steamer so that he could claim a large insurance which he had effected. But a later dispatch from Bremen pronounces the horrible story untrue. The case spoken of has been opened by the police and found to contain nothing explosive or dangerous.

CROOKED WHISKY.

Trial of Hill at Indianapolis—Crooked Distillery in Colorado—The Suits in Milwaukee and St. Louis.

INDIANAPOLIS, December 13.—In the United States District Court the entire morning session was occupied in hearing the evidence of John W. Bingham, whose appearance on the witness stand was the signal for some interesting revelations regarding persons and matters directly connected with the Indiana whisky ring, of which he was the leading spirit and primemover. With reference to Mr. Hill, the witness observed that he had known him as a revenue officer for about two years and had told Lewis and others of his employees not to fear the defendant in the capacity of the Government official, as he was all right. Witness paid defendant regularly at the first of every month for not peaching on him, and his average assessment for keeping Government officials mum was $2,000 per week. These bribes were given to Hill at Bingham's office, in Evansville. Mr. Bingham also related in detail the circumstances of his having given Simon T. Powell, Revenue Supervisor, a gold watch chain on the occasion of the latter's visiting Evansville. He said when he presented the chain he did it for a purpose, knowing the official character of Powell and that such a gift might benefit him sometime. Mr. Bingham stated that Powell had received occasional letters from Hill with reference to whisky irregularities, but could not produce any of them. He also observed that about one-third of the whisky he manufactured was "crooked," and even then he lost so heavily as to necessitate the shutting down of the St. Louis distillery. Hiram Brownlee was given $500 by witness on the occasion of his attending the marriage of Henry Veatch, at Evansville. With reference to Chas. E. Marsh, agent of the Evansville and Crawfordsville road, debating a whole day as to whether he would accept the bribe for making false entries of whisky shipped, witness said Marsh did not hesitate thirty seconds.

General Veatch was then recalled and examined at considerable length.

Philip Owens testified to the shipment of a number of barrels of whisky from Patoka with stamps, and when the matter was reported he said he could not make a case out of it.

With the latter witnesses the evidence for the prosecution closed, and evidence for the defense was commenced. General Veatch, James H. McNeely, former postmaster at Evansville, and several gentlemen from Evansville and Rockport, were examined and testified to the good character of the defendant before his indictment.

MATTERS AT ST. LOUIS.

ST. LOUIS, December 13.—A large crowd assembled in the United States District Court to-day, in anticipation that the case of Supervisor Munn would be called, but it was not. District Attorney Dyer, however, presented the recognizance of Colonel Munn, taken before Judge Blodgett, of Chicago, in the sum of $10,000; also the recognizance of General Babcock for $7,000, both of which were filed.

D. W. Voorhees then moved that the cases of Wm. McKee and Constantine Maguire, under indictments found by the Grand Jury of the May term, and which were set for Wednesday, be certified up to the United States Circuit Court, January term, to follow the course of the indictments found against those gentlemen by the jury of the November term, just adjourned.

A report having gained circulation that new evidence of an important character, implicating parties not heretofore named, had been discovered, and that another Grand Jury would be impanneled, the District Attorney denied the report and stated that no Grand Jury would be impanneled until next May. A special *venire* for twenty additional petit jurors has been issued, however, so that the panel at the January term will consist of forty jurors, all of whom will be from places outside of St. Louis county.

AT MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, December 13.—Nothing of interest occurred in the whisky cases today. Burbach gave bail in the sum of $8,000 and was released to await sentence.

ILLICIT DISTILLERY IN COLORADO.

PUEBLO, COL., December 13.—The revenue officials have discovered an underground distillery for the manufacture of crooked whisky on the Ark river, about five miles above this city. The outfit was discovered on Sunday last by Deputy Collector Pierpont, United States Gauger Frank A. Cove and Deputy United States Marshal David Lynn. The distillery was in full operation when the officers arrived, but the two principal owners, C. C. Pinkney and John S. Hall, escaped. Both are concealed in the neighborhood of the city and must be captured soon. Wm. M. Bussard, upon whose land the distillery was located, has been admitted to bail in the sum of $10,000.

The Mayoralty Contest of St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, December 13.—Judge Wickham, of the Circuit Court, to-day dissolved the injunction granted last May restraining City Register Walsh from delivering the ballot boxes to the City Council, and dismissed the bill. This places the contest of Henry Overstolz against James H. Britton for Mayor back into the City Council, and that body will doubtless proceed with the contest and decide which of these two gentlemen was elected Mayor at the special election last May.

TELEGRAPHIC PERSONALS.

The Prince of Wales arrived at Madras yesterday morning, and was enthusiastically received.

Capt. John W. Williamson, an old Arkansas riverman, died at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, on Saturday.

Hon. George H. Pendleton, of Cincinnati, was serenaded and nominated for President at Atlanta, Ga., last night.

A Paris dispatch says Oluf Stenersen, the Swedish Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington, is dead.

Commodore Vanderbilt has just made an additional donation of $100,000 to the Vanderbilt University at Nashville, which makes $700,000 in all.

Judge Alphonso Taft, of Cincinnati, was yesterday appointed to, and has accepted the office of Trustee of the Cincinnati Southern Railway, *vice* W. W. Scarborough resigned.

Bishop Simpson denies that he has expressed an opinion on the subject of the third term. He deprecates any attempt to connect the Church with political nominations or elections.

The failure of Freeland, Harding & Loomis, extensive wholesale clothing dealers, of Boston, is reported. Their liabilities are estimated at $750,000. C. M. Freeland, a special partner, is also reported to have failed, having endorsed for the firm for half a million.

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XLIV. CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 13, 1875.

SENATE.

Mr. ANTHONY presented a memorial signed by 2,325 members of the Society of Friends of New England, in favor of international arbitration in the settlement of disputes between nations without resorting to arms. In presenting the memorial Mr. ANTHONY said any measure looking to the settlement of disputes without resorting to arms, was in the interest of humanity. It was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. HOWE presented a memorial of citizens of Wisconsin for the repeal of the law increasing the postage on merchandise. Referred to the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads.

Mr. WEST presented the memorial of a thousand citizens of Louisiana against the operations of what is known as the Little Tariff bill in regard to duties on wines. Referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. WRIGHT introduced a bill declaring the true intent and meaning of the Union Pacific Railroad acts. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. SARGENT introduced a bill to protect persons of foreign birth against forcible restraint or involuntary servitude. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. DAVIS submitted a resolution citing the law requiring reports to be made to Congress annually of persons indebted to the Government, a list of defaulters and the amount of defalcation, and calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury to inform the Senate why such reports have not been made. In submitting the resolution Mr. Davis said no report had been made since 1865. He believed an immense sum was due the Government by defaulters. It was stated last year, when a similar resolution was offered, that it cost $75,000 and required several months to furnish a list of defaulters, amounts involved, &c.

Mr. SHERMAN suggested that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. THURMAN saw no reason why the resolution should not be adopted and sent to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. SHERMAN said the resolution referred to several statutes to which the Senators had not had an opportunity to refer. It also asserted three or four matters purporting to be facts, which the Senator himself could not vouch for, and he (Sherman) thought that all resolutions of inquiry involving an expense should be referred to the appropriate committee.

Mr. DAVIS said he was satisfied the law had been disregarded since 1865, and he saw no reason why the Secretary of the Treasury should not be asked why the law had not been complied with.

Mr. BOUTWELL said the statute as it now stood did not require the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish such list.

Mr. SHERMAN said he would not object to the resolution being printed and laid over until to-morrow, but he gave notice that he would hereafter move to refer to the proper committee all resolutions of inquiry, where questions of fact or law are involved.

The resolution was then laid over until to-morrow to be printed.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, submitted a resolution instructing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to inquire into the expediency of providing for a general law for the extradition of fugitives from justice, and also as to the propriety of refusing an asylum to fugitive criminals and removing them from the country. He thought we could raise up enough of our own. The resolution was agreed to.

Mr. MITCHELL introduced a bill attaching the Territory of Alaska to and making it a part of the Territory of Washington, and providing for civil government therein. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. HOWE, of Wisconsin, introduced a bill to authorize the construction of a pontoon bridge across the Mississippi river from some feasible point in Buffalo county, Wisconsin, to some feasible point in Winona county, in the State of Minnesota. Referred to the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads.

Mr. STEVENSON submitted a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Interior to inform the Senate, if not deemed incompatible with the public interest, whether the duty imposed upon each Indian Agent by the tenth section of the act making appropriations for current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department for the year ending June 30, 1876, and for other purposes, approved the third of March, 1875, requiring each Indian Agent to keep a book of itemized expenses of every kind, with a record of all contracts, together with receipts of money from all sources, has been complied with by said agents. Agreed to.

Mr. INGALLS introduced a bill to amend section 5,138 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, permitting national banks to organize with a capital $50,000 in towns irrespective of population. It provides that no national banking association shall be organized under the section with a less capital than $50,000. Referred.

Mr. SARGENT introduced a bill to forfeit public lands granted to aid in the construction of a railroad and telegraph line from the States of Missouri and Arkansas to the Pacific coast. Referred to the Committee on Railroads.

Mr. INGALLS introduced a bill to extend the time for filing claims for additional bounty under the act of July 28, 1866. Military Affairs.

Mr. MERIMON introduced a bill to repeal so much of 3,480 of the Revised Statutes as forbids the payment of accounts, claims and demands therein named, and all laws and clauses of laws forbiding the payment thereof. The bill refers to claims or demands against the United States which occurred or existed prior to the 13th of April in favor of any person who promoted, encouraged or in any manner sustained the late rebellion. It authorizes the settlement of such claims, and appropriates $400,000 for that purpose. Judiciary.

The bill introduced by Mr. Wright, "Declaring the true intent and meaning of the Union Pacific Railroad acts of July 1862, July 1864, and July 1866, and for other purposes," is a copy of the bill reported from the Senate Judiciary Committee March 10, 1874. It provides that none of these acts shall be so construed by any officer or department of the Government as to authorize the issuance to the Central Branch of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, or to the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, or to the successors or assigns of either company, of any United States bonds or patents for lands as subsidies for the construction of any extension of the road provided for in the 13th section of the act of January 1, 1862, in excess of 100 miles next to the Missouri river; nor shall any action of any Government officer or department heretofore, or that may hereafter be taken, or of any railroad company, be so construed as to authorize the issuance of bonds or patents for lands for any such extension.

Senator Frelinghuysen's bill relating to the transportation of animals, prohibits their continuous confinement beyond a period of twenty-eight hours, unless storms or other accidental causes prevent their being unloaded for rest, water and feeding, and when so unloaded it must be for at least five hours. The animals thus unloaded must be fed and watered by the owners or masters of the vehicles or boats transporting them, in case their owners fail to do so, and in this event shall have a lien upon them for food, care and custody, and shall not be liable for any detention. The bill also requires United States marshals, upon the application of any incorporated society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, to designate an agent of such society, who shall thereupon have power to make arrests of all persons offending against the foregoing provisions.

Mr. EDMUNDS introduced a bill authorizing Hon. George P. March, United States Minister to Italy, to accept a pocket chronometer from the Republic of Switzerland, and a mosaic table from the Kingdom of Italy, tendered him by those Governments in recognition of his services as arbitrator in settling the disagreement between them touching the question of boundary.

After a short executive session, the Senate adjourned.

NEW ORLEANS.

Seizure of Marshal Packard's Office Denied.

NEW ORLEANS, December 13.—The seizure of Marshal Packard and office by J. F. Barrett, reported by a special dispatch from Washington in the Western papers of the 11th, is untrue. Barrett, the alleged seizing official, is reported in town but hiding from the police. Two years ago he was posted by the Associated Press for falsely pretending that he was one of its agents, and last year he was twice chastized here for vile pretenses. Although a notorious confidence man, he is said to have become an employee of the Attorney General.

CRIMINAL RECORD.

Heavy Burglary in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, December 13.—The cloth stores of Cohen, Bro. & Co., Kabzenberger, Goldsmith & Loeb, and the millinery store of James D. Smith & Co., on Race street, below Fourth, were entered by burglars, yesterday, and a large amount of goods were removed.

The Cincinnati Tan Yard Murder.

CINCINNATI, December 13.—The jury in the Egner case, in what is known as the tan yard murder, to-day returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The jury were out since Saturday. This is the second trial.

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SECOND EDITION.

WASHINGTON.

House Democratic Caucus

Lamar Chosen Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements.

Appointment of Disbursing Clerk of the House.

The President's Instructions Respecting Whisky Prosecutions.

Colorado Politics Stirred Up—Movement to Oust Surveyor General Searight.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 13, 1875.

The House Caucus Yesterday.

The House caucus to-day met to indicate a line of business to be pursued during the session. The object was to prevent any such misstep as that which came near involving the party in difficulty on the first day of the session, when the Louisiana case was under discussion. The result of the caucus was the authorization of Mr. Lamar, the Chairman, to appoint a committee of thirteen to prepare business to be submitted at a future caucus, and also to appoint a committee of six members of the House and three from citizens of the District, who shall constitute a Local Congressional Committee. The questions of appointments to the subordinate positions of the House was discussed, but it was finally determined to leave the whole matter with the Committee of Thirteen. The understanding is that no definite changes are to be made immediately.

Disbursing Clerk of the House.

The most important appointment made to-day was that of Hon. Green Adams, of Kentucky, to be Disbursing Clerk of the House. Mr. Adams formerly represented the Lexington, Kentucky, district in Congress, and was the Auditor for the Postoffice Department under Mr. Lincoln's administration.

The Whisky Prosecutions.

Since the recent stir in the whisky trials the President and Secretary Bristow have been in private conference, in which the whole subject was reviewed. The President again directed the Secretary to push the prosecutions to the extreme limits, regardless of whom it reached. The removal of Henderson was through no disposition to shield any one. The President is relentless towards those who have betrayed his confidence, as will be seen hereafter, when the facts are indisputably shown.

The Centennial State of Colorado

is beginning her career early. Mr. Chaffee, the ex-Delegate in Congress, is now here trying to set things up, through the powerful instrument of the Government patronage, to secure for himself the United States Senatorship. The objective point in the present line of operations is the removal of Col. Searight, the Surveyor General, and the substitution a Chaffee man.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 13, 1875.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The President to-day sent to the Senate the following among other nominations: Mr. D. D. Pratt to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and Mr. Mark Bangs to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois.

CONFIRMATIONS BY THE SENATE.

The Senate confirmed the following nominations: Daniel D. Pratt, of Indiana, Commissioner of Internal Revenue; Edward S. Tobey, Postmaster at Boston; R. Holland Duelly, of New York, Commissioner of Patents; G. R. Emery, of Tennessee, Governor of Utah; James S. Clarkson, Postmaster at DesMoines, Iowa.

PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL MESSAGE ON SOUTHERN AFFAIRS.

The message which the President will shortly send to Congress on Southern affairs will relate, for the greater part, to the late trouble in Mississippi, and the mode of conducting elections in that State, the information having been gathered by persons designated for that purpose.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, December 13, 1875.

FAILURE OF A LEATHER HOUSE.

John Hopkins, leather dealer, failed today.

THE FOSTER-BLAINE LETTER—MR. FOSTER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HE WROTE IT.

The following letter addressed to ex-Speaker Blaine and appearing first in the *Maine Standard*, a Democratic paper, has excited so wide comment and adverse criticism that the interview with its author, which is appended, will be of general interest as explaining some of the references in the letter:

OFFICE OF THE EVENING COURIER, }
NEWARK, N. J., November 9, 1875. }

Hon. J. G. Blaine:

MY DEAR SIR: Eighteen months ago I told you that you could have New Jersey in 1876. I wish now to emphasize that statement. All our people are for you, and we can carry the State beyond peradventure. Our danger is that the West will demand the nomination. This can also be averted, of course, by a union of New England, the Middle States and strong votes from the South. A potent faction in our next convention will be the secret anti-Catholic order. Grant is a member of it, and it has a good deal of strength in Congress. I think you ought to go in. It can be arranged so that you can be initiated anywhere by one person. The order is spreading widely. My obligations do not permit me to say more than this, except that Grant no doubt relies upon it to promote his aims. With wisdom at Washington and in the States we have carried, we can surely hold the country. But to hold it for a haphazard candidate is hardly worth the candle. For one of a vast multitude I want to hold it for you. Yours very truly,

JOHN Y. FOSTER.

A *Times* reporter visited Mr. John Y. Foster, editor of the Newark *Evening Courier*, at his house in Newark, yesterday, to make inquiries relative to the above letter, and he said he wrote and mailed it to Mr. Blaine, but that the latter never received it. The reference to "the secret anti-Catholic order," he said, meant the order of United American Mechanics.

FIRE RECORD.

Milton, Pa.—$100,000.

MILTON, PA., December 13.—A fire last night destroyed the Riverside Hotel, Heag & Goodlander's block and Sawyer's clothing store and hall. Loss $100,000; insurance not ascertained.

Louisville—$12,000.

LOUISVILLE, December 13.—A fire tonight in the tannery of Monk & Monk destroyed and damaged the greater portion of the stock on hand and a part of the building. The total loss is estimated at $12,000, covered by insurance. The insurance is distributed among the following companies: Germania, of Buffalo; Franklin, of Wheeling; Amazon, of Newark; Planters', of Memphis; Merchants, of Newark; Peoples', of Newark; Germania, of Newark; German, of Louisville; German Security, of Louisville.

Avon, N. Y., Burning Up.

ROCHESTER, December 13.—A report comes from Avon that the village is burning up. Engines will be sent from this city.

NEWS SUMMARY.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Probabilities for To-Day.—For Tennessee, the Ohio Valley and the Upper Lake region, rising barometer, southwestern to northwestern winds, stationary temperature and clear or clearing weather.

China will not send an embassy to England until next summer.

The United States Supreme Court will adjourn on Friday until January 3, 1876.

Sixteen prisoners escaped from the Henderson county jail, at Henderson, Ky., Sunday night, and have not yet been retaken.

The steamer Moravian, from Liverpool, has arrived at Portland, Maine; and the Nederland, from Antwerp, at Philadelphia.

The Special Committee on Education to prepare for the Centennial Exhibition an exposition of Ohio educational matters have decided to ask from the General Assembly an appropriation of $7,400.

Suit was brought at Milwaukee yesterday by the United States District Attorney against the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad for $860,000, alleged to be due the Government as tax on earnings.

Dried Fruit.
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FOREIGN NEWS.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

England.

REVIEW OF GRAIN MARKETS.

LONDON, December 13.—The *Mark Lane Express*, reviewing the grain trade, says: "Markets in French provinces show an improving tone; in Paris quiet, and in Holland, Belgium, Germany and Russian steady."

A BUSINESS FAILURE FOR HALF A MILLION.

LONDON, December 13.—A. A. Moriet & Co., merchants of Belliter Square, E. C., have failed. Their liabilities are estimated at $550,000.

France.

ELECTIONS OF SENATORS CONTINUED.

PARIS, December 13.—The Assembly continued to vote for Senators to-day. The following were elected: MM. De Lavergne, Juarez, Berthault, Royer, Calmon, Oscar De Lafayette, Reimilly, Luro and Fribert. Of these, M. Royer was a candidate of the Left. All the others were nominated by the Left Center.

M. Wallon has withdrawn his name as a candidate for the Senate.

CASSAGNAC'S BELLEVILLE SPEECH.

The manager of *Le Gaulois* and M. de Cassagnac have been acquitted on the charges brought against them in connection with the publication of the latter's Belleville speech.

Germany.

THE DEUTSCHLAND DISASTER CONSIDERED IN THE REICHSTAG.

BERLIN, December 13.—In the Reichstag, to-day, Councillor Von Phillipsborn, on behalf of the Government, stated that steps had been taken to protect German interests in the inquiries going on in England into the loss of the Deutschland. He hoped the measure proposed on the 10th inst., providing for official investigations into casualties to German shipping, would soon become a law.

European Turkey.

THE PORTE'S PREPARATIONS FOR THE SPRING CAMPAIGN.

VIENNA, December 13.—The *New Free Press* is informed that the Porte will make an extraordinary levy of 100,000 men in the spring for the suppression of the insurrection in Herzegovina. Egypt will send him, in addition, 22,000 and Tunis 8,000 men.

Marine News.

MOVILLE, December 13.—The steamship Australia, from New York, arrived.

MOVILLE, December 13.—The steamship Peruvian, from Portland, has arrived.

CHICAGO.

Meeting of Millers of the Northwest—Measures to Obtain Lower Freight Rates from the East.

CHICAGO, December 13.—A large number of owners and representatives of the most important mills in the Northwest, especially in Minnesota, arrived here to-day, and held a meeting this evening at the Grand Pacific Hotel. D. R. Barber, of Minneapolis, was elected Chairman *pro tem.*; and H. Whipple, of Fairbault, Secretary. A committee was then appointed to nominate a permanent officer to devise a place for the organization of a Millers Association of the Northwest, and to consult with the railroad managers on transportation. The meeting then adjourned till to-morrow.

The gentlemen who compose this Convention have met in order to see what arrangements, if any, can be made with the managers of the trunk lines leaving the East for more equitable rates of transportation for flour. They claim that, while the rates on grain are by no means firm, that no rebate can be obtained on flour, and that rates on the latter are disproportionately large. They intend, in case they cannot secure what they deem a fair reduction in flour rates, to take measures to prevent flour shipments until the opening of navigation in the spring. The present rates on grain are forty-five cents per one hundred pounds, and on flour ninety cents per barrel. The managers of the Eastern lines meet here to-morrow, to consider the advisability of raising these rates to fifty cents and one dollar, respectively.

PHILADELPHIA.

Moody and Sankey Meetings.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.—The audience at the prayer meeting at noon today, was much larger than usual. The requests for prayer embraced the usual number and variety. During the services Mr. Sankey spoke of the value of speaking to people. His attention had been called to three young men who attended the meeting yesterday for the purpose of scoffing at the services. He went to them and, after some talk, they promised to come into the inquiry room. One of them followed him there, and brought his companions with him, and all three of them left with a firm determination to go forth and confess God. He spoke of several others who had come to scoff and make light of the meeting, but who had been converted.

POLITICAL.

Virginia.

STILL BALLOTING FOR SENATOR.

RICHMOND, December 13.—In the caucus this morning three ballots were taken for United States Senator without result.

Massachusetts.

BOSTON CITIZENS' TICKET.

BOSTON, December 13.—The Citizens' ticket nominated to-day has Samuel C. Cobb for Mayor and eight Republicans and four Democratic Aldermen. It is the same as bolting the Republican ticket.

Connecticut.

MAYOR GREENE, OF NORWICH, DECLINES TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR.

NEW HAVEN, December 13.—Hon. Lynde Harrison, Chairman of the Republican State Committee, having recently addressed a letter to Hon. James Lloyd Greene, of Norwich, (well known as the defeated candidate for Governor at the last election and as the Mayor who ordered a salute of one hundred guns in honor of President Grant's Louisiana message,) Mr. Greene has replied declining a second candidacy. He closes his letter as follows:

"In the coming campaign there will be no peculiar cause which will give me any peculiar strength. I know there are better men in our party, better qualified for the office than I am, and I do not wish it. I therefore most respectfully decline to be a candidate; but, although I shall not carry the standard, I trust I shall have the grace while life endures to be a faithful follower of the Republican banner, upon which is inscribed universal liberty, universal citizenship and universal education (without sectarianism). God grant that that banner long may wave, the emblem of a free, educated, honest and hard-money people."

The Boston *Herald* yesterday published a letter from Jeremiah S. Colbath, uncle of the late Vice President Wilson, denying *in toto* the story which has been going the rounds of the papers that the latter was a descendant of a gypsy and born in a gypsy camp.

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DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

A Grist Mill, Distillery, Dry Goods Store and Residence in Freedom, Beaver County, Destroyed—Loss $40,000 to $50,000.

A special dispatch to the COMMERCIAL, last night, from Freedom, Beaver county, on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad, says: A large fire broke out here at nine o'clock this evening, totally destroying Muller's grist mill and distillery, Biddle & Wagoner's dry goods store and the residence of David E. Lowery and other out buildings. By the almost superhuman exertions of the young men of Freedom the elegant residences of Messrs. Muller, Kuhl and Hetchie were saved. D. E. Lowery's residence was insured for fifteen thousand dollars in the Rochester Insurance Company, Biddle & Waggoner were insured in the Lycoming Company for twenty-five hundred dollars. Muller's mill and J. Schoonan's tin shop were not insured and are a total loss. Loss from forty to fifty thousand dollars.

A Seasonable Hint.

The evidences of approaching Christmas are peeping out at nearly every store window. Christmas presents will be bought this year just as in the years gone by, so that all that remains to be done for those who wish to catch the public eye and capture the public purse, is to let the people know through the papers where bargains may be had. The newspapers are the proper channel for imparting this information, and the sooner dealers will take advantage of letting people know what they have, the better it will be for them.

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MISSIONS IN EUROPE.

Interesting Address of Dr. Gulick—The Work in Spain, Italy and Other Portions of Catholic Europe.

The people of Plymouth Congregational church, Allegheny, were favored last Sabbath with the ministration of Rev. L. H. Gulick, M. D., late Assistant Secretary of the "American Board for Foreign Missions," resident in Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. Gulick has just returned from an extended tour of inspection among the mission stations in Europe and Western Asia.

Having been some four years resident in South Europe, in connection with the missions of Spain and Italy, he brings with him much valuable information.

Speaking of *Spain*, he gave a hopeful view of the condition of that country.

Bled by the Inquisition, and smothered by oppression, the population of Spain had dwindled by the first half of the eighteenth century to eight millions. The census now returns some sixteen millions, and this rise in population is significant of a general rise in prosperity, intelligence and morals.

Wealth is on the increase, readers are being multiplied, while priests are on the decrease.

Since the revolution of 1868 a vast amount of Scripture has been introduced, principally among the laboring classes, in all parts of Spain.

Consequently the present reformation is not on the mountain-tops of society, but in the valleys, where inquisitorial power will be far less felt than in the reformation of the sixteenth century. The number of adherents to the various Evangelical churches is about two thousand.

The present government of Alphonso seems to tend toward ultramontanism, but it will be impossible to subject Spain to the tyranny of the past.

In France we see the effects of a weakened Protestant element, weakened yet further by a rationalism within its own ranks, in its failure to furnish sufficient stimulus for an "old Catholic" movement within the Roman church.

Yet French Protestantism is being revived, partly under the lead of Theodore Monod, educated in the Western Theological Seminary of Allegheny.

Aside from the sixteen original Waldensian churches in Piedmont, there are in Italy over a hundred churches of various evangelical denominations, with a membership rapidly approaching ten thousand, scattered over the peninsula, even to the very toe of the boot, but mainly in Northern Italy.

In Italy we have an illustration of the fact that the Protestantism of Europe needs outside influence to bring it back to evangelical faith and activity amid surrounding Romanism. The Waldensians themselves have been revived from their lukewarmness, in the early part of this century, by evangelical influence from England and Scotland. In connection with other evangelical societies they are doing good work in Italy.

Germany is engaged in a struggle for national existence. As against the throttling power of the papacy she wrestles she is an object of solicitous interest to other nations, especially to ours. Our battle for freedom shall be largely fought in her borders. And America, with her democratic Christianity, has a call to shove the work of the religious renovation of Europe.

Austria has received less attention from outside Christian bodies than almost any other portion of Roman Catholic Europe. Despite the boast of the Tyrolese that the reformation of the sixteenth century never entered their Alpine valleys, and never shall, it has already commenced by the sale of many volumes of Scripture within the last eighteen months.

The same evangelical influences are now being extended through Carinthia and Styvia.

The especial sphere of evangelical interest is in Bohemia and Moravia, where a few of the reformed Protestant ministers have received the missionaries of the "American Board" with open arms.

Dr. Gulick is the son of a missionary for long years resident in the Sandwich Islands, and now in Japan. He has four brothers and a sister engaged in the foreign mission work. Two are resident in Spain, two in Japan, and one in China. While a student in his early years he was an inmate of the family of Rev. Luther Halsey, D.D., of Allegheny. In response to a call extended by the American Bible Society, Dr. Gulick resigns his connection with the "American Board," to take up the work of organizing the Bible work in China and Japan.

DISTRIBUTION OF ALMS.

New Organization for the Relief of the Poor—Plan Proposed.

Yesterday morning, at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association, a meeting was held for the purpose of organizing an association for the relief of the poor. Chancellor Wood, of the Western University, called the meeting to order, and Rev. Mr. Alsop, of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, was appointed Chairman, and R. C. Miller Secretary. Of the ladies of the committee, Mrs. W. A. Herron and Mrs. Wm. Thaw were present. There were also present Mr. Drum, of one of the United Presbyterian churches; Rev. Dr. Murray, of the Methodist Protestant Church; Rev. Mr. Humphreys, from South Side; Mr. R. C. Arthurs, from Dr. Milligan's church, Eighth street; Reformed Presbyterian Church, Rev. Mr. Knox; Rev. Hitchcock, of Trinity Church; J. J. Gallagher, Esq., and a number of other clergymen and laymen.

Dr. Woods presented a plan of operations, which was in type for to-day's issue, but was crowded out. It will appear to-morrow.

After some discussion it was decided to proceed with the organization proposed, and the same committees were continued with the request that they present names for managers and officers of the new society. They are to report at the same place on Wednesday afternoon, at two o'clock.

MISS THERESA HENNE, of the Gounod Club, of this city, will sing at a concert in Erie, Pa., this evening. She will give the aria from "Der Freischutz," and Lodi's "There's a path by the river."

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ELECTION NOTICES.

☞ DIAMOND NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH—The Annual Election of Directors for this Bank will be held at the Banking House, TUESDAY, January 11, 1876, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 P. M.
JOHN D. SCULLY, Cashier.
December 13, 1875.

☞ CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD COMPANY.—OFFICE OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER.—The annual meeting of the Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before them, will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, January 5th, 1876. The Transfer Books will be closed on the 4th inst. and reopened January 6th, proximo.
G. A. INGERSOLL, Secretary.
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☞ FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BIRMINGHAM.—The annual Election for Seven Directors of this Bank will be held at the Bank on TUESDAY, January 11th, 1876, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock P. M.
JOHN P. BEECH, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, South Side, December 11, 1875.

☞ ELECTION.—THIRD NATIONAL BANK.—The annual election for Nine Directors of this Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 11th, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
W. STEINMEYER, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 11, 1875.

☞ ALLEGHENY NATIONAL BANK.—An Election of Directors, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 11, 1876, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
W. McCANDLESS, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 11, 1875.

☞ FOURTH NATIONAL BANK.—ELECTION.—The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, No. 82 Fourth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 11, 1876, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
S. D. HERRON, JR., Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 11, 1875.

☞ TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK.—The Annual Election for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Bank on TUESDAY, January 11, from 11 A. M. until 1 P. M.
CYRUS CLARKE, JR., Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 11, 1875.

☞ PITTSBURGH NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE.—An Election for nine Directors, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank on TUESDAY, January 11, 1876, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
JOSEPH H. HILL, Cashier.
Pittsburgh, December 11, 1875.

☞ OFFICE OF THE CITIZENS' INSURANCE COMPANY.—An election for fifteen Directors of this Company, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at this office on MONDAY, the 20th inst., between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
JOHN REA, Secretary.

☞ CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK.—ELECTION.—The Annual Election for nine Directors, to serve the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 11, 1876, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
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NOTICES.

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By order of the Board,
D. E. BOULTON, JR., Secretary.
Pittsburgh, December 6, 1875.

☞ NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, at its session in 1876, for the passage of an act repealing the act of Assembly, approved April 2, 1872, entitled a supplement to the several acts incorporating the city of Pittsburgh, enlarging its boundaries, &c., so far as the same relates to the borough of Mount Washington and the borough of Union, in the county of Allegheny.
S. S. BOGGS,
A. P. NORTON,
J. C. SHALER.

☞ NOTICE—
In order to correct any misunderstanding or wrong impressions which may have arisen from the publication of a notice signed by me in the city papers of November 29 and 30 and December 1, 1875, I hereby desire to give notice now to the public that the revocation of power of attorney constituting Mr. J. F. Logan my agent and business manager of Ninth Street Yards, South Side, was done only, when, after the sale of my property and close of my business, it was unnecessary that he should be burdened longer with responsibilities for me. I regret that any person should have placed a wrong construction on my notice, and take this means of rectifying (what now seems to have had) any damaging effect upon the character, integrity or standing of Mr. Logan.
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1875.

THERE seems to be a growing interest in the South in the Texas Pacific Railroad. At their meeting last week, at Louisville, the Kentucky State Grange unanimously passed resolutions favoring Government aid to that project. The resolutions also ask Kentucky's representatives in Congress to use every proper effort to secure such aid.

THE Boston *Advertiser* asserts, emphatically that Bishop HAVEN made no such speech at the Boston Preachers' meeting, on the third term question, as was reported in the Philadelphia *Item*. Bishop SIMPSON also repudiates the report of an interview with him, on the same subject in the same paper. The comments of the press on these *Item* reports are therefore based on a false foundation.

We suggest to the *Item* that it is very easy to make itself notorious by bogus statements, but it by no means follows that the notoriety will do it any good. President GRANT cannot be nominated a third time by any such questionable game as this.

IF THE President and Congress wish to try their hands on the question of taxing church property, an excellent opportunity is offered in the District of Columbia. There is over a million of church property there, which does not pay a cent of tax. Congress has exclusive jurisdiction over the District, and no amendment of the Constitution is needed to enable it to tax this property if it chooses. Why trouble itself, therefore, with this class of property in the States, which is beyond its control? Let it exercise the power it has before it seeks to exercise powers that do not and should not belong to it.

PERSONALLY we are sorry Uncle JACOB ZEIGLER, of Butler, did not get the Chief Clerkship of the House, at Washington, because he would have suited the place, first rate; but otherwise we are glad, for he and the other Democrats of Pennsylvania have now learned the truth of what they have been told so often, that the South rules the party. No Northern mudsill need apply for any office in the House at Washington that the South wants. A son of ex-Gov. BROWN, of Tennessee, wanted the place that ZEIGLER was after, and he got it. Uncle JACOB, we are told, has gone home disgusted; but he will still stand up for his ungrateful party.

IT SEEMS impossible to convict a Democrat in Luzerne county, no matter how guilty he is. The jury that tried BEAMISH, of Scranton, the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Democratic House of Representatives, of this State, upon a charge of embezzling $10,000 of the school fund of Scranton, stood eleven to one for his conviction, and the one who held out was a well-known Democratic office-hunter. The trial, just over, of Prothonotary TRIMMER, of the same county, charged with fraudulently altering election returns, or conniving at it, has resulted in the same way. The jury stood ten to two—the two obstinate men being Democrats with axes to grind. There was no question as to the guilt of either of these parties. The cases against both were clearly made out; but a Luzerne Democrat is bound to stand by his friends, in spite of all the evidence that can be brought against them.

THE irruption of Texans and Virginians into Washington city, hunting for office in the Democratic House, is said to be frightful. New England and New York have both to stand out of the way, and no Democrat can obtain an office who does not possess the lank jaws of the hungry Virginian, or who does not talk like a plantation slave. Uncle JACOB ZEIGLER, and quiet, modest men like him from Pennsylvania, were thrust aside with as little regard as they would have been if they had been Republicans, by the hordes of Southern Goths and Vandals which have captured the Capital city of the Union. The Washington *Star* says that "Virginia has swooped down upon the offices in a way that puts, not only New England, but all the other States of the Union out in the cold. Not since the days of the war when Confederate prisoners were marched through the streets, has there been such an irruption of gaunt, hungry Virginians. The restaurants have to make a complete revolution of dishes to suit the new order of things. Baked beans are supplanted by bacon and greens, and pumpkin pie is nowhere."

THAT letter, purporting to have been written by Mr. JOHN Y. FOSTER, of New Jersey, to Mr. BLAINE, which first saw the light in a Maine Democratic paper, turns out to be a forgery as palpable as the forged reports of Bishop HAVEN's third-term speech and Bishop SIMPSON's third-term interview. The letter stated that the President belonged to a secret anti-Catholic society, which was strong in New Jersey, and that he was using this society to promote his renomination. Mr. FOSTER admits having corresponded with Mr. BLAINE, but denies the published letter, and in his paper, the Newark *Courier*, says:

"We do not ourselves know of the existence anywhere in this country of any political anti-Catholic order, but it is possible, nevertheless, that there may be such an organization in some remote corner of the Union. But that there is no such order 'within the Republican organization' here in New Jersey, we can most unqualifiedly affirm."

The fact that the Maine newspaper in which the letter was published was a Democratic journal shows that the assumption that Mr. BLAINE had anything to do with its publication was unfounded. The forgery is of a piece with the attempt to lug in the Methodist bishops as promoters of GRANT's renomination.

AS BISHOP SIMPSON will be largely quoted, on the authority of the Philadelphia *Item*, as saying that "should President GRANT be re-elected the people will have done wisely;" we put on record his prompt denial of the manufactured allegation:

PHILADELPHIA, December 11, 1875.

To the Editor of the Philadelphia Item:

DEAR SIR—I have just seen your paper of yesterday containing the report of an interview.

The statements, as made, are generally correct but in two points the reporter certainly misapprehended me:

1. I did not say that the majority of Methodist ministers are Democratic.
2. I did not say "that should President Grant be re-elected the people will have done wisely."

The reporter did not ask my opinion, nor did I either directly or indirectly express any judgment on the subject. He did not ask how the ministers of Philadelphia stood upon the subject, as I replied that I had not heard any general expression of opinion. But, I supposed that Methodist ministers and people would be divided on that, as on other political questions.

Will you do me the kindness to insert this note? Yours, truly,

M. SIMPSON.

The readers of newspapers, generally, will do well to refuse their credence, just now, to the report of *any* interview whatever. The average interviewer is, or seems to be, incapable of making a correct statement of what is said to him. Just now there is a mania, on the part of certain papers anxious for Presidential recognition, for spreading the idea that the whole Methodist body is about to rise up and demand GRANT's renomination; and Bishop SIMPSON has fallen a victim to the lively imagination of a reporter whose employer has the mania in its most virulent shape.

HENDERSON'S OFFENSE.

The removal of Hon. J. B. HENDERSON from the place of Assistant District Attorney of the United States at St. Louis, in which position he procured the conviction of JOYCE, MCDONALD and AVERY, because of remarks made by him reflecting on the President in his speech to the jury on the trial of the AVERY case, has naturally called attention to the language used by him on that occasion. We append an extract from his speech, containing the language to which the President very properly took exception:

"This is the blot upon our Government, that it is possible for such things to exist. They could not exist in England, France, or any other civilized government, but are peculiar to our boasted Republic. It is party, party, party that damns our country, and he who has the nerve to resist the behests of party is worthy of more credit than the bravest of old Roman soldiers. Under the name of party every fraud and infamy within the range of possibilities are perpetrated. It is to be hoped and prayed that the time is coming when a man who has the impervious force of character to resist the dictates of party will be looked up to as a hero. But we may go to the bottom—corruption may feast in all our institutions, and our nation may decay and fall before we learn this grand truth. I respect party when it is composed of honest men, organized for honest purposes; but when it is composed of men banded together to perpetrate frauds upon the Government, or to serve the personal ends of its leaders, then away with it. I'll none of it.

"What right had Babcock to go to Douglass to induce him to withdraw his agents? Douglass was placed in his position to see that the revenue laws of the Government were properly enforced. What business, then, had Douglass with him? When an official goes into office, he should be free and independent of all influences except of law, and if he recognize any other master, then this Government is tumbling down. *What right had the President to interfere with Commissioner Douglass in the proper discharge of his duties, or with the Treasurer?* None; and Douglass showed a lamentable weakness of character when he listened to Babcock's dictates. He should either have insisted that his orders as they existed be carried out, or should have resigned his office.

"Douglass now determined that his only course was to change the supervisors all over the country, and this would necessarily expose fraud. On January 29, 1875, he telegraphed Hoag: 'You are hereby ordered to report in person to Supervisor Tutton, who supersedes McDonald in St. Louis.' This was one of the first moves toward the change. On February 3, 1875, a telegram signed 'Sylph' was sent from here to Babcock, saying, 'We have official information that the enemy weakens. Poor things.' This was Joyce's writing, and the enemy referred to were those persons who were favoring the change of supervisors. A couple of days later Douglass telegraphed Brooks: 'The order telling you to report to Tutton is suspended.' *Now, why did Douglass bend the supple hinges of the knee, and permit any interference by the President?* This was Douglass' own business, and he stood responsible for it under his official oath. *He was bound to listen to no dictation from the President, Babcock, or any other officer, and it was his duty to see that that order was carried out, or to resign.*"

There seems to have been no good reason for lugging the President into this harangue. There was nothing in the evidence to justify it, and the President is certainly not to blame for refusing to continue in office an attorney who has so little regard for propriety as HENDERSON has shown. He was doubtless a good prosecutor in these whisky cases, being familiar with the facts; but he has a very poor record as a public man, and the marvel is how he ever came to be employed in these cases. There is no reason to regret his prompt removal; although it was unfortunate for the Administration that it had to be done just at the particular moment when the BABCOCK case was coming up.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

There are wicked butchers who will tell you they can cut a sirloin from the beef of a cow.

They are shipping apples direct from Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Rotterdam, Holland.

Every Philadelphia girl with a spark of ambition in her nature expects to catch a lord during the Centennial.

Boston, we are told, is well supplied with men milliners and dressmakers, and they are exceedingly popular.

Minneapolis is not a very moderate climate, and yet can't very well afford to enjoy cold weather. Dry maple wood brings from $6 50 to $8 a cord, and coal is sold at $12 25 per ton.

It is stated that the French are paying particular attention to perfecting their troops in the night maneuvers in which the Germans were so successful during the recent Franco-German war.

The great blunder in Henderson's case, in St. Louis, was in appointing him to prosecute the crooked whisky suits; but it was a much greater blunder to remove him, at the time it was done.

The mortality returns of Montreal for the week show that fifteen deaths were from small-pox, the victims being all French Canadians, and the number being seventeen per cent. of the total mortality.

The last of the free-lovers have left Valcour Island, which they proposed to use as a lever to turn the rest of the world topsy-turvy, standing there still, utterly unconscious that such a sorry crew ever trod its shores.

The London *Builder* recommends people who transplant to mark the north side of each tree with red chalk before it is taken up, and replace it in its natural position. A larger proportion will then live, as in ignoring this law of nature transplanted trees generally perish.

A crumb of comfort. It is trite to say that every ill brings some compensation with it. One of Tweed's lawyers, who was largely instrumental in getting him out of the pentenitary, is reported to have said, "The rascal has run away without paying me."—*New York Evening Post.*

The other day a new Funeral Reform Company in London got up a mock funeral, hearse, sables, mourning coaches, mutes and all the other trappings of woe, and paraded the streets, while men on the footway distributed handbills, calling attention to the superior way in which you might be buried.

Russian railroad managers are experimenting with the electric light as headlights for locomotives. Successful results were obtained on the line from Moscow to Krusk. The apparatus consisted of a battery connected with the front axle, the revolution of which set it in operation, and the track was illuminated a diitrance of eighteen hundred feet.

The success of the American Board of Foreign Missions in reducing its deficiency of $200,000 for the year's expenses to $5,000 is creditable to its constituents and cheering as a sign of the financial state of the country. The *Evangelist* uses this fact as a motive for the Presbyterians to provide for their deficiency, which is very near the same sum.

A tramp at Norwich, Connecticut, several days ago, called at a house and asked for an old vest. It was given him, and after a short absence he returned with a five dollar note which he said he had found in the pockets. The gentleman of the house was so well pleased with the tramp's supposed honesty that he gave him a dollar, and the next day he discovered that the five dollar bill was a poorly executed counterfeit.

It is stated that there are in store in Liverpool, London, Bristol and Hull, the chief storing points, 15,000,000 bushels of wheat; 10,000,000 bushels more at Oddessa, or on the way thither; and 6,000,000 bushels in sight, or enough to supply the current deficiencies of the British market for four months longer, without touching the 18,000,000 bushels in the United States, or counting in the arrivals in Europe of wheat from Oregon, California and the East Indies.

A Russian paper announces that a belief in the approaching end of the world has seized on the Cossacks of the Don. Many, especially aged people, are giving up worldly affairs, wearing a shroud, and ordering their coffins. On every road are seen men repairing to Moscow to be consecrated priests, in order that the smallest village may have its own priest and church. The authorities are passive, hoping that the movement will die out of its own accord. It has originated with the Dissenters.

PERSONAL.

Senator Logan has looked death in the face, but is getting well.

Miss Anna E. Dickinson's novel in the press of Osgood is entitled "A Paying Investment."

Ernest Renan is now engaged upon a novel, which he is writing at Ischia, in the Mediterranean.

The London *Academy* says that William Black is engaged in writing a new novel to appear in *Macmillan's Magazine.*

The Hon. Mark Bangs, of Lacon, Ill., has been appointed to succeed Mr. Ward as United States District Attorney for the Northern district of Illinois. That bangs Banagban.

Castelar is treated with great honor in Paris. Grand banquets to him have been given by ex-President Thiers and Victor Hugo, at which all the local literary and political celebrities were present.

William Lloyd Garrison on Friday observed his fiftieth anniversary at Newburyport by taking his place as a veteran volunteer compositor on the *Herald* of that city, on which he set type a half century ago.

Mr. Barnum, Congressman for Connecticut, vouched for Mr. Townsend, the new Congressional Chaplain, in the Democratic caucus. He forgot to mention, however, that the candidate was a son of the old original Townsend's Sarsaparilla.

Hon. George Williamson, of Louisiana, Minister to Central America, will, we are informed, be nominated for United States District Judge in the place of ex-Judge Durell, and it is said he will be the nominee of the Republican party for Governor of Louisiana.

George Elliot's new novel is, like "Middlemarch," a story of English life. It is of the present day, and deals for the greater part with the higher sphere of society. The Harpers have secured its publication on this side, paying what seems an enormous price for the advance sheets.

It is stated that Cassius M. Clay, of Kentucky, is already at work trying to get his name put on as second on the Democratic Presidential ticket with Tilden as first. Cassius will have his labor for his pains. He has boxed the political compass so often that he has the respect and confidence of no party. He would be as great a pull-back to the Democratic national ticket as Sam Cary was to the Ohio Democratic State ticket.—*Washington Star.*

A LESSON IN CHIROGRAPHY.

The Story of a Superb Cup That Was Presented to Tony Pastor.

"Mrs. Morton," said I, "will you please tell my friend how Tony Pastor once obtained a magnificent china cup and saucer?" "Certainly, Captain, to oblige your friend." She proceeded:

"You, Captain, probably, and certainly all long residents of New York, know of the Rev. Mr. D. He has been officiating as our church minister for the last thirty years. He married my husband and self, and christened all of our children. Mr. D—— seemed more like a near and dear relative than a valued friend.

"Christmas was nigh at hand, and I resolved to give him the finest china cup and saucer that could be purchased in the city. Mr. D—— is a slave to pure Mocha, and I fancied I should oft be remembered by him, as he imbibed his favorite beverage from my intended present. So I searched the city until I secured a magnificent cup and saucer, and after reflection I decided on having the words

TO MY PASTOR,
FROM H. S.

placed in gilt letters thereon.

"A German who lived in Varick street promised to do the work in style, and I left the cup and saucer. The present was to be ready on Christmas eve. At that time I called. The artisan stepped to a drawer in his shop, and therefrom drew the cup, holding it up to the light with a proud look. Good heavens; what did I behold?—

TONY PASTOR,
FROM H. S.

"'Tony Pastor?' I exclaimed. 'Tony Pastor?' I really cried with vexation, and then could only burst into immoderate laughter. Turning to the German, I said: 'Why, Mr. Snyder, what do you mean by thus inscribing the cup?' 'Vell,' exclaimed the innocent and half-bewildered artisan, 'I put him as you write, on de paper—see hare.' Looking at the slip on which I had written, I saw that the words really more closely resembled 'Tony Pastor' than 'To my Pastor.' I was worried beyond expression at my blunder. It was now too late to have fresh lettering done. What to do with the cup and saucer I knew not, but finally the German said he would take it off my hands, paying first cost, adding 'I vill gib him to Tony.' Mr. D—— received a pair of gold sleeve buttons in lieu of the cup, and I learned afterward that the German (whose initials happened to be the same as my own) really did present the cup and saucer to Tony, receiving therefor a liberal supply of complimentary tickets to his theater."—*New York Sun.*

STATE NEWS.

Nine deaths in Erie, last week.

Erie's soup house is open, and the tramps will rejoice.

Scarlet fever is raging extensively in the oil regions.

Reading has twelve newspapers—five English and seven German.

In its catalogue of wonders, Reading claims to have the biggest cat in the State.

Tyrone has a new publication, the *Phonetic Magazine*, issued monthly by W. G. Waring.

There are rumors of extensive business failures in Mercer, amounting to from $80,000 to $100,000.

Mr. Robert Harper and wife, of Harmonsburg, Crawford county, celebrated their golden wedding on Wednesday evening.

There are twenty newspapers published in Schuylkill county—two monthly, four daily and fourteen weekly. Two of these are German and the balance English.

A speculative genius in Erie county has been caught in a new trick whereby to evade the license law. He filled oyster cans with whisky and sold them under the name of oysters to knowing ones.

Two women of Susquehanna township, Cambria county, Mary E. Beales and Mary Ferrier, have been arrested and put in jail on a charge of arson. Mrs. Beales' husband is in the Clearfield jail on a similar charge.

Recently a party of four went out hunting in Fulton county. Hiram Snotts, one of them, became separated from the rest, and to let him know where they were two of his companions discharged their guns. One of the balls struck Snotts, and he died soon after.

Jacob Tees, Sr., for thirty years a prominent Kensington ship builder, who was buried on Thursday afternoon at the advanced age of eighty-five years, had built nearly two hundred vessels, large and small, including men-of-war for this and other governments.

Jeremiah Hess, who for fifty years has been the trusted and honored messenger of the old York (now National) Bank, died on Tuesday last, aged eighty-five. Mr. Hess was a man of rare uprightness of character and conduct—of unbounded integrity and firmness.

John D. Pott, of Jersey Shore, has a dog three years old, which measures fourteen inches across the shoulders. He is twenty-four inches around the neck, eight inches around the legs, twenty-one high, forty-eight around the breast and forty-six in length, from nose to tail. He is so excessively fat that he can hardly get up.

Welcome C. Palmer, of Hayfield township, Crawford county, has been arrested for homicide. It will be remembered that he shot and killed Henry Rickard, Jr., on the 30th of November. It was claimed at the time that the shooting was accidental, but as the boys had had a quarrel on the previous day, it looks as if it might have been done purposely.

In Duncansville, Blair county, there are two veterans of the war of 1812, Powell and Gates by name. The latter walked to Hollidaysburg on Friday last, a distance of several miles, for the purpose of having his pension papers filled out. These two venerable gentlemen both use tobacco, and it may kill them in the course of twenty or thirty years more.

Duross, the fiend who committed the unspeakable outrage upon a small child near Moosic last September, and then attempted to murder the victim, last week plead guilty in court at Wilkesbarre, and received a righteous sentence. Fourteen years and eleven months of solitary confinement in the penitentiary was the punishment meted out, and it is what he deserved.

A correspondent writing from Corry says: For a long time Judge G. V. N. Yates, of Columbus, has been ill of a disease which seemed to baffle the skill of his physicians, and grave fears were entertained that he could not recover. Recently he discharged a large bug of some species unkown to any of the physicians of this vicinity, and is now said to be in a fair way to recover. The bug in question has been sent to Philadelphia for identification. It was not of the species humbug.

Reverend Daniel Weiser, who was buried at Goshenhoppen church, Montgomery county, on Thursday, labored in the ministry of the Reformed Church over fifty-two years. During this active life he traveled 69,000 miles, baptized 5,393 and confirmed 1,731 persons, preached 4,545 sermons, solemnized 666 marriages, and ministered to 24,933 communicants. In early life he served fourteen congregations, and for thirty years labored in Montgomery and Lehigh counties.

A pastor of one of the Oil City churches left his charge without settling their "differences." The flock owed the shepherd $100. Some time after his departure the sum was subscribed and the money placed in the hands of one of the trustees and the pastor. Their business was to liquidate the indebtedness. A registered letter, said to contain $100, addressed to the former pastor, was put into the postoffice at Oil City. In due time the letter was received by the person for whom it was intended, and opened in the presence of three witnesses, but the scrip had evaporated probably. The postoffice officials investigated the matter thoroughly, and have got as far as the persons sending the money. The affair has created excitement; but, as usual in such cases, every effort has been made to suppress talk.

OHIO NEWS.

Van Wert county jail is empty.

Ohio has thirty thousand Masons.

"Work or walk" is Ohio's greeting to tramps.

Small-pox has appeared at Bourneville, in Ross county.

The Huron *Chronicle* has been sold by George B. Pratt to E. J. Hammer & Co.

Oberlin College has 1,216 students, of whom 648 are gentlemen and 568 ladies.

D. W. Fisher, of the Bloomville *Banner*, has in his possession a Bible 330 years old.

Judge Beckham, of Napoleon, had thirty-one sheep killed by dogs a few nights since.

A literary paper called the *Free Press* has just been started at Leipsic, Putnam county.

The hog diphtheria has broken out in Ottrwa county, and is carrying off whole droves.

Stone for the Ohio Centennial building at Philadelphia is being quarried and dressed at Dayton.

A religious revival is in progress at Springfield, inaugurated by the First Presbyterian church.

Charles E. Cist, a prominent citizen of Cincinnati, is missing. He is supposed to be in deep water, financially.

At Ripley, the birth of two daughters, weighing fifteen pounds each, to William McCague, astonishes the neighbors.

Jamestown, Greene county, has a beer ordinance, and a newspaper writer wants the girls to shake chewers and smokers.

General Wager Swayne, of Toledo, it is said, is to marry a daughter of Judge David Davis, the millionaire politician of Illinois.

The Amherst *Free Press* warns the public against an old man who is begging through the country, and says he is worth $150,000.

The Ashtabula *News* says there are plenty of absent-minded men in the world, but the gentleman on the South Ridge, not far from Ashtabula, who was milking his cow in a peck basket, and only desisted after repeated calls from his wife, is as exasperated a case as we have heard of lately. And this is a fact.

MAD ITCH.

Appearance of a Rare Cattle Disease in This State.

The Greencastle (Pa.) *Echo* contains the following: About ten days since a valuable cow belong to Mr. David L. Martin, of Middleburg, was taken sick and acted in such a curious manner as to attract the attention of himself and neighbors. On examination it was discovered that the one side of her lower jaw was bared of hair for about two inches, caused by the rapid friction from rubbing on the fence, and that her neck was very much swollen. The cow acted as if crazy, and continued rubbing her jaw on the fence for several hours, when she suddenly died. Mr. Martin at once proceeded to haul her carcass to the woods, and was followed by his watch dog, who frequently smelled of the dead body, and shortly after returned home the dog was taken with the disease, acted in the same manner as the cow, and died in a few hours. Mr. Martin became alarmed and called in a veterinary surgeon to examine the dead bodies, who pronounced the disease "mad itch," which is fatal to all animals that contract it. It is very rare in the United States, and these are the first cases that have every occurred in this part of the country, and we hope the disease will end with the defunct animals.

POLITICAL.

State.

The Pittsburgh *Gazette* is printing third term editorials and Government advertisements in about equal proportions now.—*Williamsport Gazette.*

The Pittsburgh COMMERCIAL has found a Republican out there who is in favor of a "third term," but it doesn't say whether the fellow is a fool or a knave.—*Sunbury American.*

The unlucky Barr, of the Pittsburgh *Post*, is at Washington attempting to groom Jere Black for the Presidency. If the Judge would only spit on him and drown him with one squirt of tobacco juice, he would relieve himself of a very mischievous friend.—*Dayton Journal.*

Aaron Watson, member of the Board of Directors of the Poor of Fayette county, has instituted prosecutions against William L. Strickler, ex-Treasurer of the county, and Robert Hagan, ex-Commissioner, for attempting to bribe him with gifts of money. Each of them wanted to be steward of the poor house, and Strickler repeatedly offered him money, from $300 to $700, for his vote, while Hagan would come down with but $250.

Conundrum from the Scranton *Republican:* By the way, what has become of the Legislative Treasury Investigating Committee, that was so very active just previous to the late election? Have the committee looked into the affairs of the Treasury so as to cover the administrations of McGrath, Irwin, Kemble and Mackey, as required by the action of the House of Representatives? We fear the committee have not done their duty in the premises. They went to work crab fashion and seem to have progressed no further than Mr. Mackey's administration. Shall we not hear from that glorious committee again, now that the election has passed by?

General.

Mr. Foster, of Newark, denounces the publication of his letter to Mr. Blaine as a breach of confidence, and says he didn't write any such letter anyhow. He doesn't know whether there is an anti-Catholic league or not. There may be; and then there mayn't. And the bearing of this lies in the application of it.

Washington and Jackson, toward the close of their second terms, having been spoken of for re-election, each took occasion, in his last message previous to the election of a successor, to declare an intention to retire at the close of the second term. It will be observed that General Grant has omitted to do anything of the sort.—*Cincinnati Commercial.*

Ex-Governor Dix says in a recent letter: "In another year we are to have a great contest, one of the most important in its consequences, so far as the good faith and honor of the Government are concerned, we have ever had; and if I am alive and in good health I shall probably take part in it. I certainly shall if, as seems probable, the financial question is the chief issue."

Discovery of Blackband Iron Ore in Morgan County, O.

[From the McConnellsville, O., Herald.]

All the elements for cheap iron are here. On both sides of the Muskingum, between here and the first locks above, lying immediately over coal No. 7, some places a foot and others six, disappearing here and seen again there, is a deposit—not shale, not slate—having a marked ferruginous character, but a still more marked carbonaceous character. Calcined, with but little more fuel than it contains, it comes out from the roasting heap with its mask torn off, comes out fused, looped up and in great, cinder-like, adherent masses. Now just such formations as this, found at just such geological horizons, are the repositories of the most important iron ore of the coal measures, to wit: Blackband. For years the peculiar character of this formation has been the subject of occasional remark; but it is very recently that any effort, individual or otherwise, has been made to ascertain its true character. Blackband is a masked ore, the carbonaceous matter contained therein rendering it black in color and light in weight, and therefore its true character is difficult of recognition even by those who are well acquainted with other varieties of ore. It looks like a black shale, and at its out crop is nothing more than a mass of brown flakes, thin and light.

Specimens, however, from the outcrop of this formation, have been taken by interested parties to Port Washington, Tuscarawas county, at which place there are extensive Blackband works, and these specimens, as poor as they were, elicited from the proprietors of the works the emphatic declaration, that "there is more and better ore, where the specimens came from." Subsequent examination proves their prediction to be true, and we have *not the least doubt* that further rational investigation will develope immense quantities of Blackband of excellent quality in this strata.

What such a discovery means can be better comprehended when it is known that the vein of coal which underlies this formation is of excellent quality, comparatively free of sulphur, burning to a white ash, making no clinkers; that limestone in abundance is in close proximity, and that other ores of the coal measures are likewise found in apparently inexhaustible quantities.

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RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD—
On and after SUNDAY, November 21, 1875, trains will leave Union Depot, Pittsburgh, as follows:

CITY TIME.
MAIN LINE EASTWARD.

Pacific Express daily, except Monday, at 3:01 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg at 11:50 a. m., Philadelphia 4:26 p. m., New York 7:35 p. m.

Day Express daily, at 7:26 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg 3:55 p. m., Philadelphia 6:20 p. m., New York 9:15 p. m., Baltimore 6:35 p. m., Washington 8:07 p. m.

Mail Train daily, except Sunday, 7:41 a. m., arriving at Harrisburg 8:15 p. m.

Atlantic Express, daily, 12:51 p. m., arriving at Harrisburg 11:05 p m, Philadelphia 3:10 a m, New York 6:50 a m.

Philadelphia Express daily, except Sunday, 4:31 p m, arriving at Harrisburg 2:40 a m, Philadelphia 7:00 a m, New York 10:10 a m.

Fast line daily, at 7:41 p m, arriving at Harrisburg 3:45 a m, Philadelphia, 7:35 a m, New York 10:35 a m, Baltimore 7:35 a m, Washington 9:03 a m.

Johnstown Accommodation, 2:31 p m.

Wall's Accommodation, 6:41, 10:21, 11:46 a m, 2:41, 5:41, 6:11 and 11:31 p m. Sunday 12:46 p m.

Brinton Accommodation, 6:06 a m, 5:06 and 9:36 p m. Sunday, 9:26 p m.

Wilkinsburg Accommodation, 9:21 a m, 1:41, 4:51, 7:11 and 8:11 p m.

Liberty Accommodation, 3:11 and 10:11 p m.

MAIN LINE WESTWARD.
Trains arrive at Union Depot (city time) as follows:
Mail Train daily, except Monday..........1:21 a m
Fast Line daily, except Monday..........1:31 a m
Pittsburgh Express daily, except Monday..........7:36 a m
Cincinnati Express daily..........8:11 a m
Pacific Express daily..........1:41 p m
Limited Mail daily..........5:41 p m
Way Passenger daily..........6:41 p m
Johnstown Accommodation..........10:41 a m
Wall's Accommodation 6:36, 9:01 a m, 1:31, 3:41, 5:36 and 7:51 p m. Sunday, 10:01 a m.
Brinton Accommodation, 7:41 and 8:16 a m, 7:06 11:11 p m. Sunday, 7:06 p m.
Wilkinsburg Accommodation, 11:46 a m, 3:06, 7:31, 9:21 and 10:01 p m.
Liberty Accommodation, 7:11 a m and 4:06 p m.

SOUTHWEST PENN. RAILWAY.
No Change of Cars.
Youghiogheny Express, except Sunday, 8:36 a m.
Connellsville Express, daily, except Sunday, 6:06 p m.
Trains arrive from Connellsville at 9:41 a m and 6:46 p m.

WEST PENNSYLVANIA DIVISION.
From Federal Street Depot, Allegheny City.
City Time:
Mail Train, connecting for Butler..........6:36 a m
Express, connecting for Butler..........2:36 p m
Freeport Accommodation..........9:16 a m, and 4:36 p m
Springdale Accommodation, 11:26 a m, 6:16, 8:41 and 11:31 p m. On Sunday at 12:51 and 9:01 p m.
Tarentum Accommodation..........12:31 p m.
Market Train for Butler..........1:31 p m
Trains arrive at Federal Street Depot (city time)
Express, connecting from Butler..........10:11 a m
Mail Train, connecting from Butler..........5:51 p m
Freeport Accommodation, 8:11 a m and 1:36 p m
Springdale Accommodation, 6:51 a m, 3:51, 7:56 and 11:11 p m. On Sunday at 9:51 a m and 6:41 p m.
Market Train from Butler..........9:11 a m

The Excelsior Baggage Express Company will call for and check baggage from hotels and residences. Time cards and full information can be obtained at the ticket offices, No. 78 Fifth avenue and the Union Depot.

FRANK THOMSON, General Manager.
D. M. BOYD, Jr., General Passenger Agent.

PITTSBURGH, CINCINNATI AND ST. LOUIS RAILWAY, PAN HANDLE ROUTE.
On and after SUNDAY, November 21, 1875, Trains leave from and arrive at the Union Depot, Pittsburgh, as follows, Pittsburgh time:

DEPART.		ARRIVE.	
Fast Line	2:07 a m	McDonald's Ac	6:47 a m
Pacific Express	8:42 a m	Cincinnati Ex	6:57 a m
Columbus Mail	7:12 a m	Washington Ac	8:47 a m
Washington Ac	9:17 a m	Dennison Ac	9:57 a m
McDonald's Ac	11:02 a m	McDonald's Ac	12:02 p m
Dennison Ac	2:57 p m	Washington Ac	2:02 p m
Washington Ac	4:42 p m	Columbus Mail	5:57 p m
Limited Mail	5:22 p m	Fast Line	7:12 p m
McDonald's Ac	6:12 p m	Southern Ex	7:12 p m
McDonald's Ac	10:47 p m	Sunday Church Train	10:02 a m
Sunday Church Train	12:47 p m		

Pacific Express, Limited Mail and McDonald's Accommodation No. 12 leave daily.
Cincinnati Express and Fast Line arrive daily.
Fast Line leaves daily, except Sundays.
All other trains will run daily, except Sundays.
Sleeping Cars, without change, to Cincinnati, Louisville, Indianapolis and St. Louis.
W. L. O'BRIEN, General Passenger and Ticket Agent.
S. M. FELTON, Jr., General Superintendent.
D. W. CALDWELL, General Manager.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY, CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.
On and after DECEMBER 12, 1875, Trains will leave from and arrive at the Union Depot, Pittsburgh, City Time, as follows:

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Fast Line	2:19 a m	Atlantic Ex	3:42 a m
Erie and Ashtabula Ex	7:12 a m	Wheeling Ex	10:47 a m
Clev & W Mail	8:27 a m	Chicago Ex	12:07 p m
Chicago Ex	8:42 a m	Erie and Ashtabula Ex	2:42 p m
Clev & Whg Ex	1:52 p m	Chicago Mail	3:42 p m
Pacific Express	3:02 p m	Cleveland Ex	3:53 p m
Erie & W Ex	4:17 p m	Chicago and St Louis Ex	7:07 p m
Through Mail	4:37 p m	Clev & W Ex	7:29 p m
Limited	6:02 p m	Erie and Ashtabula Ex	11:07 p m
Depart from Allegheny.		Arrive in Allegheny.	
Beaver Falls Ac	6:37 a m	Leetsdale Ac	6:53 a m
Leetsdale Ac	10:27 a m	Leetsdale Ac	7:27 a m
Leetsdale Ac	12:07 p m	Beaver Falls Ac	8:12 a m
Sharpsville and Ashtabula Ac	1:12 p m	Enon Ac	8:47 a m
Enon Ac	3:42 p m	Sharpsville and Warren Ac	9:52 a m
Leetsdale Ac	4:32 p m	Leetsdale Ac	12:52 p m
Beaver Falls Ac	5:12 p m	Beaver Falls Ac	1:42 p m
Leetsdale Ac	6:12 p m	Leetsdale Ac	4:27 p m
Leetsdale Ac	10:57 p m	Leetsdale Ac	7:37 p m
Fair Oaks Sunday Church	12:42 p m	Fair Oaks Sunday Church	9:52 a m

Through Mail—Limited, Leaves Daily.
Pacific Express Leaves Daily.
Chicago Express Arrives Daily.
Atlantic Express Arrives Daily, Mondays excepted.
All other Trains will Leave and Arrive Daily, Sundays excepted.
J. D. LAYNG, General Manager.
F. R. MYERS, General Passenger and Ticket Agent.

PITTSBURGH, WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE RAILROAD. "CONNELLSVILLE ROUTE." CHANGE OF TIME—FALL ARRANGEMENT.
On and after MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1875, Trains on this Road will Depart from and Arrive at Depot, corner Grant and Water streets, as follows, Pittsburgh time:

DEPART.		ARRIVE.	
Uniontown Ac	5:50 a m	McKeesport Ac	6:45 a m
Through Mail	9:45 a m	McKeesport Ac	7:45 a m
McKeesport Ac	11:00 a m	W. Newton Ac	8:35 a m
McKeesport Ac	3:15 p m	Through Ex	7:10 a m
Uniontown Ac	3:45 p m	Uniontown Ac	10:00 a m
McKeesport Ac	4:15 p m	McKeesport Ac	2:45 p m
W. Newton Ac	5:10 p m	McKeesport Ac	6:05 p m
McKeesport Ac	6:20 p m	Uniontown Ac	5:35 p m
Through Ex	8:00 p m	McKeesport Ac	8:00 p m
McKeesport Ac	11:05 p m	Through Mail	5:35 p m
McKees't Ch T	12:45 p m	McKees't Ch T	10:05 a m

Mail Trains daily. Through Express east, daily, except Sunday. Through Express west, daily, except Monday. Accommodation Trains daily, except Sunday.
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R. B. SOWERS, Ticket Agent, 58 Fifth avenue.

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.
On and after Monday, December 6, 1875, train will leave from and arrive at the Union Depot Pittsburgh, city time:

LEAVES.		ARRIVES.	
Arnolds Parker Acc	6:53 a m	Night Express	6:05 a m
Buffalo Express	8:25 a m	Parnassus Ac	6:45 a m
2d Soda Wks Ac	10:10 a m	1st Soda Wks Ac	8:05 a m
Kittanning Ac	11:45 a m	Arnolds Parker Ac	9:35 a m
Titusville Ex	1:50 p m	Emlenton and Reynoldsville Ac	11:15 a m
Emlenton Ac	3:20 p m	2d Soda Wks Ac	1:55 p m
Hulton Ac	5:00 p m	Titusville Ex	1:55 p m
2d Soda Wks Ac	6:10 p m	Kittanning Ac	5:35 p m
Night Express	8:10 p m	Hulton Ac	7:30 p m
Parnassus Ac	10:10 p m	Buffalo Ex	8:35 p m

All Trains Daily, except Sunday.
Church Train—Leaves Soda Works at 8:25 a m, arriving at Pittsburgh at 10:10 a m. Returning, leaves Pittsburgh at 12:50 p m, arriving at Soda Works at 2:33 p m. Stop at all Stations.
Special Sunday Train between Pittsburgh and Foxburg, connecting at Parkers with Parkers and Karns City Railroad for Karns City and Petrolia. Leave Pittsburgh at 7:15 a m. (city time), arriving at Foxburg 11:00 a. m.; returning leaves Foxburg at 2:35 p. m., arriving at Pittsburgh 7:05 p. m., stopping at all stations.
Pullman's Palace Sleeping Cars on Night Express between Pittsburgh and Titusville.
Buffalo Express north connects at Red Bank with trains on Low Grade Division for Brookville and Driftwood, making direct connections at Driftwood with trains on the P. and E. R. R. east to Williamsport, west to Emporium, Olean and points on B. N. Y. and P. R. R.
Buffalo Express and Emlenton Accommodation north and south, connect at Red Bank with train on Low Grade Division for Sligo, Brookville and Reynoldsville.
Buffalo Express north and south, make close connection at Brocton, to and from.
Buffalo orders can be left with Excelsior Baggage Company, 78 Fifth avenue, for Baggage to be Checked from Hotels or Residences to destination.
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Analytical and Consulting Chemist,
99 WATER STREET.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

MONDAY EVENING, December 13, 1875.

We have heretofore expressed the opinion that the present afforded opportunities for the investment of capital safely and judiciously in fields which were now shunned and distrusted. We might also go further, and say that until some such course is adopted there will not be adequate employment for the idle capital of the country. While the wealthy money lender, over-cautious perhaps, contents himself with loaning his money on call at low rates of interest, or of letting it lie in bank at no interest at all, the small capitalist cannot afford to pursue a like course. His money must be put to work to earn his daily bread, and an employment must be found for it which is at once remunerative and safe. The general stock list (using the word in contradistinction to bonds) is composed for the greater part of corporations that never have paid, and probably never will pay a dividend, and of others still that pay by fits and starts, at uncertain periods and in uncertain sums. It is clear that the small capitalist cannot take the risk of investing in these with the assurance of a secure return in the shape of interest for his money, any more than he could in speculating upon margins, and consequently he leaves the share list religiously alone, and seeks the bond market or the stocks of such corporations as are beyond all question. But owing to the demand thus created this latter class of securities is almost unattainable at figures which will return the legal rate of interest, and this fact may soon begin to attract capital in other directions.

What these directions will is of course only to be determined by the policy and discrimination of capitalists themselves. But there are fields of investment, which bid fair to be of no small magnitude, opening up in this section. The establishment of competition in the railway connections of this city, undertaken, as it must be, at the very low prices of iron and labor now prevailing, will prove profitable to the investors, and beneficial to business. The field of investment depending upon the introduction of gas as a fuel in the manufactories of this city, is another opportunity of no small magnitude for magnificent returns to the judiciously bold investor.

Depending upon the development of the two classes of investment alluded to, is that in real estate. The decline in real estate during the last three years will range at from thirty to forty per cent. on the valuations of that time back. It is probable that prices have nearly touched bottom, and the temptation to invest surplus capital in real properties as a safe and remunerative operation will be greater every day when our commercial and manufacturing interests begin to revive under the double incentive of improved transportation facilities and cheaper fuel. Once convinced that things are upon hardpan, a large proportion of the wealth which is now lying idle or being lent out at low rates of interest will be definitely fixed, and, though the loaning price may be enhanced, it will, nevertheless, be a harbinger of more prosperous days to come.

—The following important question is one not generally understood in the banking community, and we therefore reproduce it from the column of questions and replies of the New York *Journal of Commerce*:

AUGUSTA, GA., December 4, 1875.

Editor of the Journal of Commerce:

A certificate of national bank stock "certifies that A is the holder of ten shares, transferable only on the books of the bank on the surrender of this certificate. According to the by-laws of this association, no transfer of stock shall be made without the consent of the Board of Directors by any stockholder who shall be liable to the association, either as principal, debtor or otherwise."

A stockholder who is indebted to the bank sells his stock and indorses his certificate to purchaser with the power to transfer the stock. Can the bank refuse to make the transfer, and has a case of this nature been decided by the courts?

Your answer will oblige, yours respectfully,
B.

P. S.—All of the above within the quotation marks is on the face of the certificate.

Reply.—The banks in this section have no such clause in their by-laws or stock certificates, but the experiment has been tried in other States and has signally failed. In the case of Bridgeford & Co. vs. Davies and others, before Vice Chancellor Harlan (Kentucky), the identical quotation above given was written across the face of the certificate, the by-laws of the bank making such a notice imperative. The Chancellor held that no national banking association can create such a lien. National State Bank, Newark, vs. the Second National Bank of Louisville was also decided in the same way But the Supreme Court of the United States has put it beyond question in two cases reported in 11 Wallace, 369, and 18 Wallace, 550. In the latter the court took very strong ground declaring that it was the purpose of Congress to withhold from national banking associations the right or power to put a lien upon the stock of their debtors. "It cannot be done by articles of association, or by-law, or both, and the notice indorsed on the face of the certificate cannot operate to accomplish that which is not only not authorized, but is clearly against the policy of the law."

—The following table shows the prices of gold, Government bonds, railway stocks, etc., at the various sessions of the New York Stock Exchange during the day, furnished by the Fifth National Bank, No. 16 Sixth street:

December 13, 1875.	10:30 A. M.	11:40 A. M.	1:30 A. M.	2:20 P. M.	3:10 P. M.
Gold	114¼	114¼	114⅛	114¼	114⅛
U. S. 6's, 1881, coup	124	124	....	124⅛	
5-20's, 1865	115⅝	115⅝	....	115⅝	
5-20's, 1865, new	120⅛	120⅛	....	120⅛	
5-20's, 1867, registered	118⅞	118⅞	....	118⅞	
5-20's, 1867	122⅛	122⅛	....	122⅛	
5-20's, 1868	122⅝	122⅝	....	122⅝	
10-40's	117⅛	117⅛	....	117⅛	
10-40's, coupons	117⅝	117⅝	....	117⅝	
Currency 6's	122	122	....	122	
New 5 per cents	116⅝	116⅝	....	116⅞	
Western Union Tel	....	76¼	76⅜	76⅝	76⅜
Quicksilver	....	18	....	....	
Pacific Mail	....	40⅛	40⅛	....	40⅛
Adams Express	....	....	102¼	....	
Wells-Fargo Ex	....	....	83⅝	....	
American Express	....	....	57½	....	
U. S. Express	....	....	55½	....	
New York Central	....	105¾	....	....	105⅝
Erie	....	....	....	16⅜	16⅜
Michigan Central	....	....	60¼	60⅛	61
Michigan Southern	....	....	61⅛	61⅛	61
Illinois Central	....	96	....	....	
Clev. & Pittsburgh	....	....	89⅞	89⅞	
Chicago & Northwestern	....	39⅛	39⅜	39⅝	39⅝
Do preferred	....	56⅝	56	56	56⅛
Rock Island	....	....	....	104⅛	104⅛
St. Paul, common	....	36⅛	36	36	36
Do preferred	....	....	66⅛	....	66⅛
Wabash, common	....	....	4½	....	4⅛
Fort Wayne	....	....	99⅛	....	
Ohio & Mississippi	....	....	17⅛	....	
Union Pacific	....	77	76⅛	....	
Harlem	....	....	133½	....	
Hannibal & St. Joe	....	22⅛	22	22⅛	....
Atlantic & P., pref'd	....	....	....	....	3½
Iron Mountain	....	....	15⅜	....	
C., C. & I. C	....	....	4⅛	4½	4½
Missouri Pacific	....	....	....	12¼	12¼
SouthCarolinas, April	....	34¼	....	....	
South Carolinas, July	....	35	....	....	
Missouri 6's	....	102⅛	....	102⅛	

—The following is the report of the prices of leading stocks on the Philadelphia Stock Board, as received by wire at noon to-day:

Stocks.	Bid.	Asked.	Sales.
Pennsylvania Central	....	....	50⅞
Reading	55¼	55⅜	....
United Co's of N. J	....	135	....
Oil Creek	10	10¼	....
Lehigh Valley	....	62⅞	....
Allegheny Valley	94	....	....
Central Transpor'n Co	....	46½	....
Empire Transpor'n Co	....	52	....
P., C. and St. L. m. b	....	80	....

—A plan for the purchase and reorganization of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad has been proposed by a number of the first mortgage bondholders, representing about $5,000,000, among whom are Messrs. Richard Irwin, A. A. Low, John Castree, C. M. Fry, C. P. Huntington, William Whiteright, A. Masterton, David Stewart, Jonas G. Clark, C. Burkhalter, and Messrs. Fisk & Hatch, of New York.

A suit for foreclosure having been commenced in the United States Circuit Court, and a receiver having been appointed, they say it seems inevitable that a foreclosure of the mortgages and a sale of the property must now take place; and if this result can be secured under the right conditions, it is obviously for the best interest of all concerned that it should be consummated as early as practicable.

They think that under these circumstances it will be necessary, in order to prevent a sacrifice of the property, and to protect the interests of the bondholders and creditors, that they should themselves become the purchasers, under a suitable plan of reorganization. This plan will be submitted to the bondholders of the road at an early day, as prompt action is required in view of the fact that the matter is now before the court.

—The Baltimore *Sun's* Washington correspondent says:

In January next an important monetary convention will be held in Brussels, consisting of delegates from France, Belgium, Italy and Switzerland. This convention will determine the amount of silver to be coined in these countries during the year 1876. The action of the convention will, it is considered by the Treasury Department, have an important bearing upon the question of specie resumption in the United States. The restriction which confined the five franc silver coinage to twenty-eight million dollars for each year will probably be continued to guard against the apprehended influx from the large sum which has been demonetized in Germany.

—The San Francisco *Alta* says that the syndicate directors of the Bank of California, deferring to the expressed wishes of the stockholders, will not consummate the change that was contemplated at the reopening of the bank a short time ago, and have therefore formally adopted the provisions of the new Civil Code of the State relative to corporations, which authorizes the repairment of capital stock by assessments upon stockholders, not exceeding ten per cent. at one time, till the whole capital shall be fully restored. The adoption of this measure gives, we understand, great satisfaction to the shareholders.

—The Maine Commissioner of Banks reports that the deposits of the savings banks of the State exceed those of the national banks by $7,500,000; increase in savings banks deposits year ending November 1, $1,021,350; increase of depositors in same time, 4,527. The condition of the savings banks is generally good; no losses occurred last year on investments.

—The new Constitution of Alabama has a provision to the effect that all banks organized under the laws of that State must have a specie basis, and their notes be redeemable in silver and gold. The loaning of State or municipal credit to individuals or corporations is strictly prohibited.

[By Associated Press.]

Gold Closed at 114⅛.

MONEY.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Money active at 6@7 per cent., closing at 3@4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6@8 per cent. Customs receipts $370,000. The Assistant Treasurer disbursed $177,000. Clearings $22,000,000. Sterling strong at 485½@488½.

GOLD

opened at 114⅛, fell off to 114⅛, advanced to 114⅜, at which it closed. Rates for carrying 2, 2½, 3 and 1 per cent. Loans also made flat.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Governments firm. Railroad bonds firm in late afternoon dealings. Michigan Central sevens sold at 101⅛@101¼; Hannibal and St. Joe convertible 82¾; Union Pacific sinking funds declined to 93¾. State bonds quiet. Stocks very dull and slightly lower, without important features. Transactions at the Stock Exchange aggregated 68,000 shares, of which 4,600 were Pacific Mail, 17,000 Western Union, 6,000 Northwestern, 22,000 Lake Shore and 3,300 Union Pacific.

The following were the closing quotations:

STOCKS.

W. U. Telegraph	76¼	St. Paul	36
Pacific Mail	40⅜	Do preferred	66¼
Adams Express	102¼	Toledo & Wabash	4¾
Wells Fargo Ex	83⅝	Do preferred	7
American Ex*	57	Fort Wayne	99
United States Ex	55	Terre Haute	5
New York Central	105¾	Do preferred	20¼
Erie	16⅜	Chicago & Alton	97⅛
Do preferred	31	Do preferred	105
Harlem	133½	Ohio & Mississippi	17
Do preferred	133	Indiana Central	4½
Mich. Central	66	Burling'n & Qu'cy	115
Lake Shore	61⅛	Hannibal & St. Joe	22⅛
Illinois Central	96	Delaware & Lack	119¼
Cleveland & Pitts	89⅞	Atlantic & Pac Tel	18¼
Northwestern	39⅜	Union Pac. stock	76⅛
Do preferred	56⅛	Central Pac. bds	106⅞
Rock Island	104⅛	Union Pac. bds	104⅛
N. J. Central	104⅛		

*Ex-div.

GOVERNMENTS.

U. S. coupons, 1881	124⅛	New 5's	117¼
5-20's, 1865	115⅝	10-40's	117⅛
5-20's, 1865, new	120⅛	10-40's coupons	117⅝
5-20's, 1867	122⅞	Currency 6's	122⅞
5-20's, 1868	122⅝		

STATE BONDS.

Tennessee, old	46¼	Virginia, old	37½
Tennessee, new	44	Missouri 6's	102⅞
Virginia, new	37		

LONDON, December 13, 5 P. M.—Consols for money 93 13-16; for account 93 15-16. United States bonds—5-20's, 1865, 104; do 1867, 109½; 10-40's 106; new 5's 104⅜. Railroad securities—New York Central 96; Erie 15; do preferred 31.

PARIS, December 13.—Rentes 66 francs 40 centimes.

FRANKFORT, December 13.—United States bonds—New 5's, 99⅝.

GENERAL MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, MONDAY, December 13, 1875.

The week opened very quietly in commercial circles, trade being light in all branches. In other respects the market was without especial features of interest, and prices as a rule were unchanged, the only alteration that we learned of being another slight reduction in New Orleans molasses. Grain, produce, provisions, petroleum and general merchandise were quiet and unchanged.

The receipts of the leading articles of produce since our last are as follows:

Flour, bbls	1,274	Apples, bbls	262
Corn, bus	2,368	Cheese, bxs	100
Wheat, bus	360	Butter, pkgs	19
Barley, bus	1,350	Bacon tcs	30
Rye bus	30	Potatoes, bus	1,410
Oats, bus	3,862	Hay, bales	661

The quotations given in the following reports are prices realized in wholesale transactions, unless otherwise specified. On small sales dealers will charge an advance. Prices of grain, unless stated to the contrary, are free of elevator.

Breadstuffs and Produce.

GRAIN—The market was quiet but steady to-day with moderate receipts, and a rather slow trade. Wheat was unchanged. We quote Michigan white wheat at $1 38@1 40 ⅌ bushel; Pennsylvania and Ohio do 1 33@1 35; Northwestern red $1 35@1 38; prime sound red winter $1 27@1 30; low grade do $1 15@1 25; rejected do $1 00@1 10, as to quality. Corn was disposed toward firmness, but trade was not active enough to induce an advance. We quote old shelled at 66@67c ⅌ bushel for prime yellow; 64@65c for high mixed; 62@63c for low mixed; new ear continues easy at 45@48c for mixed; 50@52c for choice yellow; new shelled rules at 52@53c for choice. Oats were firm but quotably unchanged. We quote choice Western white at 45@46c ⅌ bushel; prime do 43@44c; Ohio and Pennsylvania do 42@43c; dark to light mixed 38@40c. Barley was steady. We quote Canada at $1 30@1 35 ⅌ bushel; choice spring $1 15@1 25; common to prime do $1 00@1 15; choice fall $1 10@1 15; low grades do 90c@$1 05. Rye is steady and unchanged at 80@83c ⅌ bushel for prime Jobbing prices of corn and oats rule 3@5c above quotations.

FLOUR—The jobbing trade for leading brands is active at firm prices, while unknown and low grades are rather dull and depressed. We quote the wholesale prices of the local millers as follows; No. 1 white wheat flour $8 00 ⅌ bbl; No. 1 amber do $7 50; red wheat flour $7 25; in sacks 25c off ⅌ bbl. The jobbing prices of the leading dealers for standard brands of flours are steady as follows: Choice brands of white winter wheat flour $7 75@8 00; well known brands of family flour $7 00@7 25; Wisconsin is quoted at $6 50@6 75; Minnesota $6 75@7 00; fancy St. Louis $8 00@8 50; choice patents $8 50@9 00; new red winter wheat flour is active at $6 00@6 25; Graham flour $7 00@7 25; self raising flour, in 6 lb packages, $3 25 ⅌ dozen packages; cornmeal 80c per bushel; oatmeal $7 00 ⅌ bbl; kegs $3 75. Rye flour $5 25 ⅌ bbl.

APPLES—Continue easy and quiet. Choice eating apples rule at $3 50@3 75 ⅌ barrel; large cooking $3 25@3 50; common to medium grades in light demand at $2 50@3 00.

BEANS—Is still dull and depressed. Prime white navy beans are quoted in a jobbing way at $1 50@1 55 per bushel; mediums are nominally $1 40@1 50. Round lots would have to be sold at a concession from these figures.

BUTTER—There continues to be an active demand for choice grades at steady prices. We quote extras, per lb, 29@30c; firsts 23@26c; seconds 20@22c; thirds 12@18c.

CHEESE.—The market is still rather dull and easy with a slow movement. We quote prime Ohio factory at 13½@14c ⅌ lb for September; New York Goshen 14@14½c; Sweitzer 16@17c; Limberger 15@16c.

EGGS—The market was easy with increasing receipts. Quotations for strictly fresh are 28@29c per dozen; pickled are in good supply and easy at 22@26c.

GAME—The market continues to show increased firmness and trade was moderately active at quotations. We quote @18c for long saddles; whole deer 10@12c per pound. Rabbits sold at 30@40c per pair, and squirrels at $1 20@1 30 per dozen. Quail were quoted at $1 75@2 25 per dozen; grouse $4 00@4 50 per dozen; prairie chickens $4 00@4 50 per dozen; pheasants do $3 50@4 00.

POTATOES.—There was little or nothing done in round lots to-day and quotations on track were nominal, The trade from store was limited at steady prices. We quote for round lots on track at 30@35c for Peerless and Early Rose; 40@45c for prime peachblows. From store there is a quiet but easy market at $1 40@1 50 ⅌ barrel; 50c ⅌ bushel.

POULTRY—Under the influence of the cold weather the market was firm and active to-day and full prices. Live chickens are quoted at 45@50c ⅌ pair; live turkeys 75c@$1 25. Dressed poultry were active and firmer; chickens 11@12c ⅌ lb; turkeys 13@15c; ducks 13@14c. Geese 9@10c.

Groceries.

There was a very quiet business in staple groceries to-day. The only alteration which we make in our quotations is a reduction about 2c on New Orleans molasses. Sugar and coffee were both steady and unchanged. We quote as follows:

Green Coffees.	⅌ lb.	*Sugars.*	⅌ lb.
Fancy Rio	26 c	Standard A	10⅞@10½c
Choice Rio	25 c	Standard B	10¼@10⅜c
Prime Rio	24 c	Do. extra C	10⅛@10¼c
Good Rio	23 c	Extra C—yellow	9 c
Java	34 c	C—yellow	8¾c
Roasted Coffees.		Franklin, B	9½c
Rio, in papers	28@29 c	Cut Loaf	12½c
Rio, in bulk	28@28½c	Crushed	11½c
Java, in paper	36 c	Powdered	11½c
Java, in bulk	35½c	Granulated	11½c
Teas.		*Molasses.*	⅌ gall.
YoungHyson	50c@$1 00	Str'y ch. N. O. new	63c
Gunpowder	50c@1 25	Prime	63c
Imperial	50c@1 00	Good	58c
Japan	55c@1 00	*Syrups.*	
Oolong	25c@ 85	Ex. white drips	70c
Fancy	1 00	Sugar drips	60c
Souchong	25c@ 85	Lower grades	35@50c
Rice.		*Starch.*	⅌ lb
Choice Car'la	7¾@8 c	Pearl	4¾@5 c
Patna	7½@8 c	Silver gloss	9¼c
Rangoon	7¼@7¾c	Corn	10½c
Louisiana	7 c	*Soaps.*	
Spices.		Irish soap, ⅌ box	$4 25
Cloves	60 c	S. S. Star, ⅌ box	5 75
Allspice	18@19 c	Babbitt's best, ⅌bx	6 90
Cassia	33@35 c	Do. N. Y. City, ⅌ lb	9¼c
Nutmegs	$1 35	German mottled do	7½c
Pepper	25 c	*Soda.*	
Candles.		Bi-carb, in kegs	5 c
Star, full weight	18 c	Bi-carb, in 10-lb pkgs	5½c
Stearine	16 c	Bi-carb, in lb papers	7 c
Mould	11@12 c		

TOBACCOS—A moderate movement continues to characterize this line of trade, without quotable change in values. We quote as follows:

Manufactured—		Six Twist	43@55c
Spun roll	60@63c	Smoking—Granulated	50@75c
Black Navy	55@63c	*Leaf Tobacco—*	
Black Tens	57@60c	Western leaf—wrappers	15@20c
Louisville Navy	63@68c	West'n leaf—lugs	9@12c
Louisville Cav	68@70c	Ohio seed wrap'rs	18@25c
Virginia Navy	58@63c	Ohio seed filler	9@12c
Virginia Tens	58@64c	Conn. (choice) wrapper	60@70c
Virginia Cav	59@64c	Conn. filler	12@15c
Double Thick	63@68c	Havana wrap's	$125@250
Flounders	63@85c	Havana fillers	95c@$1 25
Bright pounds	63c@$1	*Cigars—*	
Black Quarters	57@60c	Penn'a. seed	$15@ 20
Rough & Ready	65@85c	Connecticut	25@ 30
Fine Cut plugs	70@80c	Seed & Havana	30@ 36
Fine Cut	55@90c	Havana	60@150
Cut and Dry	33@42c		
Scotch Snuff	65@75c		
Black Snuff	60@85c		

FISH—A steady trade at firm prices is noted in fish, with a good demand. We present the following revised list of quotations:

	Per bbl.		Per bbl.
Extra No. 1 Mess mackerel	$34 00	Labrador herring, split	$ 8 50
No. 1 mess do	32 00	Round do	6 50
Ex. No. 1 shore do	28 00	Lake herring	4 50
No. 1 shore do	25 00	Large George's codfish, ⅌ lb	6¼c
Ex. No. 1 bay do	22 00	Medium do	6 c
No. 1 bay do	19 00	Boneless codfish do	7 c
Ex. No. 2 do	16 00	Halibut do	14½c
No. 2 do	15 00	No. 1 herring, ⅌ bx	40 c
Large No. 3 do	11 00	Scaled herring, do	50 c
Whitefish	5 75		
Smoked bloat'r do	2 00		

CANNED GOODS—There is a good demand at steady prices. We quote: Tomatoes, 3-lb cans ⅌ doz, $1 60; peaches, 3-lb cans, ⅌ doz, $2 25@2 50; corn, 2-lb cans, ⅌ doz, $2 25; Lima beans, 2-lb cans $2 25; string beans, 2-lb cans $1 50; cherries, 2-lb cans $2 25@2 50; blackberries, 2-lb cans $2 00; strawberries, 2-lb cans $2 00; raspberries, 2-lb cans $2 25; asparagus, 2½-lb cans $3 75; pineapples, 2-lb cans $2 60; pears, 2-lb cans $2 25; pint pickles, $1 35; quart do $2 35; half gallon do $3 75; gallon pickles, ⅌ doz, $5 50; bbls containing 1,200 pickles, $8 25; hf-bbls containing 600 pickles, $4 75.

FOREIGN FRUITS—There is a fairly active business at unchanged prices. We quote: Raisins—Layers, new ⅌ box, $3 25; London layers do $4 75; Valentias new 12½c ⅌ lb; Sultanas 18c. Dates 8½@9c ⅌ lb. Currants—New 8c. Citron 35c. Prunes 8@9c. Almonds—Languedoc 25c; do shelled 38c; do Princess 37c; do Jordan 50c; do Ivica 23c. Walnuts—Naples 16c; French do 14c; Sicily filberts 15c. Smyrna figs 18@20c. Brazil nuts 10c. Maccaroni 15@18c. Tapioca 7@8c. Lemons—Messina, ⅌ box, $7 00. Cocoanuts $7 00 per hundred.

Petroleum.

December 14.—There was some fluctuations in the crude petroleum market since our last report with an average range of values about unchanged, while refined was quiet at former values.

CRUDE—The market throughout the oil regions has been irregular and fluctuating since our last report under the influence of speculative movements. The price varied from $1 32¼ to $1 36¾, but the general value and closing quotations were nearly the same as at our last report. We quote Conduit, Pennsylvania and Union certificates at wells $1 35@1 36¼; United do $1 33¾@1 35; immediate $1 62½@1 63¾. Sales and resales to the aggregate of 145,000 barrels are reported.

REFINED—The market continues dull and unfavorable with a shade easier feeling than previously reported, but no quotable decline in prices. Refiners show no disposition to operate at present values and seem to be disposed to stand back and let the market take its own course. We quote standard white on the cars at 9¾@10c for prompt and December delivery. New York delivery rules at 12¼@12⅝c. Philadelphia is quoted at 12¼@12⅜c. Baltimore rules at 12¼@12½c for December.

OIL BARRELS—Remain dull and depressed at $1 15@1 20 for city; $1 10 for county.

[By Western Union Telegraph.]

NEW YORK, December 13, closing 12.—There is very little change as regards the position of the market. Exporters are doing but little, but there is no urgency to sell. Crude in bulk at 7c for prompt; 7c for December; do in shipping order 10½c for spot; and 10¼@10⅜c for December; refined 12½@12⅝c for spot and December; cases 16¾@19c; naptha entirely nominal. At Baltimore refined is quoted at 12@12½c; at Philadelphia 12¼@12½c.

OIL CITY, December 13.—The *Derrick* says: United sold as low as $1 33¾ for old, but at the close $1 34⅝ was bid for old and $1 35 for new. Shipment—Dealings were fair with the demand good and as high as $1 65 was paid during the afternoon. The total sales were 43,500 barrels well certificates; 9,000 barrels certificates pipage paid and free on board.

TITUSVILLE, December 13.—The *Herald* says: The crude petroleum markets of the region opened steady at the closing quotations of the previous day, which continued until about two o'clock, when a prominent speculator in Oil City gave notice to various brokers that he was ready to deliver his oil, generally understood to be upwards of 70,000 barrels, and insisted on their receiving the oil at once. The object evidently was to break the market for purpose of covering in his shorts at lower figures. During the pressure United declined from $1 36¼ to $1 33¾, but almost instantly reacted before purchases could be made at that figure. At three o'clock stale United was in demand at $1 35, with strictly fresh at $1 36¼, which figures were maintained till the close. Union, Pennsylvania and Conduit certificates closed 1½c above United. Pipeage paid certificates were in considerable request at $1 65@1 66¼. The upper creek market also was active. Total sales were 145,000 barrels.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.—Market quiet; standard white 12½c; crude 6½c; cases 16½c; no inquiry for futures.

TITUSVILLE, December 13.—Market firm at $1 70.

OIL CITY, December 13.—Market quiet at $1 65.

ROUSEVILLE, December 13.—Market quiet; quoted at $1 55@1 57½.

TIDIOUTE, December 13.—Market quiet; held at $1 65.

PARKERS, December 13.—Market quiet; United $1 35; shipment $1 62½.

[By Associated Press.]

NEW YORK, December 13.—Petroleum firm; crude 7c; refined 12¼@12⅝c.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.—Petroleum—Refined 12⅝@12¾c; crude 10⅛@10¼c.

BALTIMORE, December 13.—Petroleum quiet; crude 6⅞@7c; refined 12½c;

LIVERPOOL, December 13.—No. 12 Dutch standard, spot, 22¼@23s; afloat 22⅝@22½s.

CLEVELAND, December 13.—Petroleum firm; standard white, 110 test, 9⅝c; Ohio State, 150 test, 10⅝c; Michigan test 13c, in car lots cash.

CRUDE OIL RECEIVED BY A. V. R. R.

December 11, 1875.

Shipper.	Consignee.	Bbls.
J J Fisher	Pennsylvania R R Co	51
J J Fisher	Bly Oil Works	161
Total		212

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Union Drove Yards, Allegheny.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH COMMERCIAL, MONDAY, December 13, 1875.

State of the Market.

The Allegheny live stock market presented few or noticable features to-day. The offerings of cattle, hogs, sheep and milch cows did not differ materially either as regarded numbers or quality from last week. If anything, they fell short of those sent in on last Monday. It is worthy of remark, however, that there were more than the usual number of "top stock" on sale; but much of it was held above the views of purchasers and would have to take its chances in other places, and at other times. McCaslin, as usual, had a full supply of extra fine Lawrence county sheep which were early bought up by butchers who dispense nothing but the very best during the holiday times.

The market, all things considered, was a satisfactory one. The offerings were light, and the demand moderately active, so that there was little grumbling on the part of sellers. Good stock of all descriptions met with ready sale at fair prices, whilst the common order had to take back seats and bide their time.

ARRIVALS OF STOCK BY RAIL.

The following table shows the arrivals of stock by rail, with the names of the consignees, from which it will be seen that the arrivals are 51 head short of last week, being 478 head, against 427 this week:

Consignee.	Where from.	Head.
Trauerman & L	Chicago	21
L. Rothchild	Chicago	38
Marks & Bro	Chicago	46
M. Krauss	Chicago	40
Girson & K	Chicago	36
W. Moonshine	Chicago	18
E. Katz	Chicago	19
Marks & Co	Chicago	43
J. Shamberg	Chicago	21
A. Greenwald	Crestline	37
J. Kahn	Orrville	20
G. C. Crum	Palestine	6
J. R. B. B. Allsdorf	Bellaire	20
D. St. Clair	Bellaire	20
C. W. Montgomery	Bellaire	40
Total this week		427
Total last week		478

SHEEP.

R. Mc Caslin	New Castle	174

PRICES.

As there was a good deal of "dickering" as to prices, it is somewhat difficult to arrive at the exact state of the market to-day, but the following will not fall far from the mark:

CATTLE.

Choice tops, show cattle, asked	$7 00@8 00
Choice butchers' cattle	5 00@6 00
Fair to good butchers' cattle	4 00@4 50
Bulls and cows	2 50@3 50

HOGS.

Choice butchers'	$7 50@7 75
Good butchers'	7 00@7 25
Roughs	6 50@6 75

SHEEP.

Choice, 95 to 115 lbs	$5 50@5 75
Choice, 90 to 100 lbs	5 25@5 30
Good, 80 to 85 lbs	5 00@5 10
Medium, 75 to 80 lbs	4 50@4 75

MILCH COWS.

Extra milkers	$60 00@75 00
Good milkers	50 00@55 00
Fair milkers	40 00@45 00
Common milkers	25 00@35 00

[By Associated Press.]

New York.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Beeves—Fresh arrivals 4,330 head, making 9,560 head for the week, against 8,880 head last week. Quality fair, including several car loads extra and premium steers from Ohio and Kentucky. Market extremely dull and prices no better, quality considered, than Friday, when the decline from the previous Monday was ¼@½c. A few selected extra and premium steers sold at $13 00@13 50, but $12 75 was the outside figure for strictly prime; common to good native steers range at $8 50@12 [illegible], common to fair Texas and Cherokee $7 50@[illegible]. A number of car loads remained unsold.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts 7,440 head, making 24,310 head for the week, against 24,340 head last week. Quality fair to extra, generally. Market fairly steady at $5 00@8 00; strictly prime to premium lots sheep, 110 to 150 lbs, $7 00@8 00; fair to good, 90 to 100 lbs, $6 00@6 75.

Swine—Receipts yesterday and to-day 9,820 head, making 31,630 head for the week, against 33,040 head last week; live $7 25@7 50 per 100 lbs, with car load fair corn-fed from Ohio, 196 lbs, $7 40. No Western dressed in market; city dressed closed at $9 00@9 50.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, December 11.—Cattle—Receipts 4,000 head. Market very dull; sales mostly common grades; butchers' $2 00@3 50; good shipping $4 50@5 25; best $6 00@6 50. Shipments 1,030 head.

Hogs—Receipts 17,000 head. Market active and strong and 5@10c higher; closed firm, with all sold; culls and sealawags $5 75@6 25; packers' $6 75@7 10; bacon $6 90@7 00; Eastern grades shipping at $7 10@7 50. Shipments 2,400 head.

Sheep—Receipts 2,000 head. Market active and firm; poor to fair $3 75@4 50; medium to good $4 75@5 25; fancy $5 75@6 00.

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.—Beef cattle dull this week and prices rather lower; 3,200 head arrived and sold at $6 75@7 25 for extra Pennsylvania and Western steers; $7 50 for a few choice; $5 50@6 50 for fair to good do, and 3½@5c ⅌ lb gross for common as to quality.

Sheep—Unchanged; 8,000 head sold at 4½@6c ⅌ lb gross as to quality.

Hogs—Dull; 8,500 head sold at $10 00@11 50 ⅌ 100 lbs.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, December 13.—Hogs quiet; Yorkers $6 50@6 65; packing $7 00@7 35.

Cattle—Quiet and steady; choice native steers $5 00@5 25; good to prime $4 25@4 75; good $3 50@4 25; cows $2 50@3 25; feeders $4 25; good to choice Texans $3 50@4 00.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, December 13.—Hogs in fair demand but at lower rates; common light $6 50@7 00; fair to good packing $7 05@7 35; choice heavy $7 40@7 50. Receipts 11,000 head. Shipments, none.

Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, December 13.—Live hogs dull; market not established. Receipts in the last twenty-four hours 4,000 head.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

PRODUCE.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, December 13, 1875.

FLOUR—Nominaly unchanged.

GRAIN—Wheat irregular, fairly active and lower; No. 1 Chicago spring $1 02@1 03; No. 2 97½c spot; 97½c seller January; 98⅝ seller February; $1 07 seller May; No. 3 80c; rejected 65½@66c. Corn in fair demand but at lower rates; No. 2 mixed 47½c spot; 48c seller December; 44c seller January; rejected, new, 42. Oats dull; No. 2 30½c spot; 30⅝c seller February. Barley quiet and unchanged. Rye quiet and steady.

PROVISIONS—Pork—Demand fair and prices have advanced: $19 30 spot, $19 35 seller January; $19 47½@19 50 seller Februay. Lard steady and in moderate demand; 12.25@12.30c spot; 12.32½@12.35c seller January; 12.45 seller February. Bulkmeats steady and firm at 7@10¼@10⅜c.

WHISKY—$1 11.

LATEST—On Call Board, this afternoon, wheat was lower at 96¾@97c January; 97½@98c February. Corn unchanged. Oats easy at 30@30½c cash. Pork firmer at $19 32½@19 35 December; $19 55 February. Lard unchanged.

New York.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Flour dull and strongly in buyers' favor; receipts 18,000 barrels; superfine Western and State $4 50; common to good $4 75@5 40; good to choice $5 55@6 00; white wheat extra $6 10@7 75; extra Ohio $4 90@7 10; St. Louis $5 40@9 00. Rye flour quiet at $4 25@5 40. Cornmeal unchanged. Wheat—Only very limited export home trade inquiry; receipts 78,000 bushels; ungraded spring $1 10@1 18; No. 1 Minnesota afloat $1 31; winter red Western, no grade, $1 03; amber Western, winter, new, in store, $1 27; amber State choice, old, $1 40; white Michigan $1 40@1 52; No. 3 Chicago $1 09. Rye quiet; Western at 88@90c. Barley firm. Malt quiet and heavy. Corn slightly in buyers' favor, closing with little better feeling; receipts 34,000 bushels; Western mixed, old store, 73c; do afloat, 74@74½c; high mixed and yellow Western, new, 72½@72¾c. Oats unchanged; receipts 25,000 bushels. Hay firm at 70c. Hops dull; Eastern and Western at 10@15c. Coffee quiet; jobbing 18@21c. Sugar firm and unchanged. Molasses and rice in moderat demand and unchanged. Rosin quiet at $1 70@1 77½. Turpentine quiet at 37c. Eggs heavy; Western 29½@29¾c. Pork dull at $21 50@21 75. Beef quiet. Middles quiet; Western long clear 10⅝c; city do 10⅜c. Lard quiet; prime steam 13c; January 13 1-16c. Butter—Western 16@25c; State 23@32c. Cheese 6@12½c. Whisky firm at $1 18¼. The Committee on Grain of the Produce Exchange to-day decided that barley heretofore known as Canada No. 1 shall be classed extra Canada henceforth; No. 1 Canada shall be plump, sound and well cleaned, weighing not less than forty-eight pounds to the measured bushel, and in color not equal to the extra; No. 2 Canada shall be known as stained, instead of slightly stained.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, December 13.—Sugar active; common to good common 5¾@6½c; fair to fully fair 6¾@7c; prime 7@7¼c; strictly prime to choice 7½@7¾c; yellow clarified 8⅝@9c. Molasses in good demand; high grades firmer; centrifugal 25@38c; common 30@35c; good common 36@38c; fair 40@42c; prime 43@45c; strictly prime to choice 47@51c. Four quiet; superfine $4 00; double $4 25; treble $4 50@5 75; choice and family $6 00@6 50. Cornmeal dull at $2 85. Corn quiet at 60@65c. Oats firm at 47@55c. Bran dull at 97½c. Hay dull; inferior $18 00; prime $20 00@22 00; choice $25 00@27 00. Pork dull and lower; new mess $20 25. Dry salt meats firmer at 8¼@10@10½@10⅝@11c, as in condition. Bacon dull and nothing doing. Lard quiet; jobbing tierce packers' 13c; refined 13¼c; keg 13¾c. Hams—No choice; inferior 15@16c. Coffee quiet and lower; ordinary to prime 18¾@21c. Whisky dull; rectified $1 12@1 15.

Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, December 13.—Flour quiet and steady; Western superfine $4 00@4 50; extra $4 50@5 00; family $5 25@7 00. Wheat dull; No. 2 red Western $1 35; Pennsylvaia do $1 37. Corn quiet; Western mixed, old, 68c; new 66c. Oats quiet; Western mixed 39@40c; white Western 42@45c. Rye quiet at 80@85c. Hay steady; Maryland and Pennsylvania $22 00@24 00. Provisions quiet; only local demand. Pork—New $22 37½@22 50. Bulkmeats—Loose nominal, shoulders 8c; clear rib 10⅝@11c; packed fairly active at 8½@11½c. Bacon steady; shoulders 10⅝@11c; clear rib 13¾@14c. Hams 15½@16c. Lard steady; crude 13¼c; refined 14c. Butter firm; Western extra 29@30c; do firsts 26@28c. Coffee very quiet; cargoes 18¼@21c; jobbing 19@22c. Whisky firmer at $1 16½@1 17.

Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, December 13.—Cotton steady and in moderate demand at 12¼c. Flour nominally unchanged. Wheat steady and in fair demand at $1 20@1 32. Corn steady and firm at 47@49c. Oats—Demand fair and market firm at 35@45c. Barley—Demand fair and market firm; No. 2 spring $1 10@1 20. Rye quiet and steady at 78@80c. Pork dull and nominal Lard quiet and firm: steam held at 12½c; kettle sold at 13⅜@13½c. Bulkmeats inactive; sales partly cured shoulders and clear rib at 7½@10¼c, packed; spot 8¼@11⅜c, buyer April. Bacon quiet and unchanged. Greenmeats steady and in fair demand; shoulders 7@7¼c; sides 11¼c; hams 10¾@10½c. Whisky—Demand active and very firm, and holders asking higher rates; sales at $1 10 spot; $1 11 for to-morrow

Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.—Cloverseed 10¾@12c; timothy 2⅝@2¾c; flaxseed 55@60c. Flour depressed; Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota family $5 75@6 50; high grades $7 00@8 50. Wheat less active; Pennsylvania red $1 38@1 40; Western do $1 00@1 20; amber $1 40@1 43; white $1 42@1 50. Corn—Yellow, old, 71½@72c; new 55@65c; mixed, old, 71½c. Oats in better request and very scarce; white 45@52c; mixed 40@48c. Whisky steady; Western $1 16. Butter quiet; New York and Bradford county extras 33@35c; do firsts 30@32c; Western extras 30@31c; do firsts 26@28c; rolls, extras, 27@29c; do firsts 25@26c. Cheese nominal; Western fine 12¾@13c. Eggs steady and in moderate demand; Western fresh 30@31c.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, December 13.—Flour—Demand fair and market firm. Wheat—Demand fair and market firm; No. 1 white Michigan $1 28¾; No. 2 $1 14; extra $1 30; amber $1 18; seller January $1 19¾; seller February $1 22½; No. 2 amber $1 00; No. 2 white Wabash $1 30; No. 3 $1 23; No. 2 Dayton and Michigan red $1 18. Corn firmer and held higher; high mixed, new, 50c; seller December 49¾c; low mixed, new, 49¼c; no grade 55c; new 48½c; damaged, new, 45½c. Oats inactive; No. 2 35½c; seller January 36½c; March 35½c.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, December 13.—Cotton quiet and unchanged. Four dull and little doing. Wheat quiet at $1 42½@1 43. Corn steady and fair demand at 42¼@42½c. Oats dull at 33c. Barley quiet; choice to fancy Northern $1 15@1 35. Rye dull at 66¾c. Pork dull at $20 00. Lard—Small sales at 13@13¼c. Bulkmeats quiet at 7@7¼@10½@10¾c here; 7½@10@10¼c up-country. Bacon nominally unchanged at 7¼@10@10¼c. Whisky steady and in moderate demand at $1 12.

Boston.

BOSTON, December 13.—Flour steady; small sales Western superfine $4 50@4 75; common extras $5 25@5 75; winter wheat Ohio, Indiana and Michigan $6 50@7 00; Illinois $6 75@8 50; St. Louis $7 00@9 00; fancy Minnesota $8 50@9 25. Corn quiet; low mixed and yellow, new, 70@75c; old scarce and nominal. Oats in moderate demand; No. 2 mixed and white 46@50c.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, December 13.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat weak; No. 1 Milwaukee $1 05¾; hard $1 08½; No. 2 98c; No. 3, 83c. Corn scarce and entirely nominal; No. 2, 53@53½c. Oats dull and lower; No. 2, 32¼@32¾c. Barley higher and in good demand; No. 2 spring, seller December, $1 08; No. 3, 64½c. Rye entirely nominal; No. 1, 71½c.

Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, December 13.—Cotton quiet at 12¾@12½c. Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat quiet and steady at $1 05@1 25. Corn quiet and firm at 45@56c. Oats quiet at 37@39c. Rye quiet at 75@80c. Pork $21 50@21 75. Bulkmeats 7¼@10½@10⅝c. Sugar cured hams 15¼@15¾c. Lard dull at 13⅞@14¼c. Whisky quiet at $1 10.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, December 13.—Flour quiet and unchanged. Corn quiet and steady; white 53@54c. Oats quiet and steady; No. 2 47@48c. Pork firm at $21 75@22 00. Lard quiet at 13¾@14¼c. Bulkmeats—Demand fair and market firm at 8@8¾@10⅞@11@11½c.

Oswego.

OSWEGO, December 13.—Wheat steady; No. 1 Milwaukee club $1 40. Corn quiet at 70@71½c. Barley quiet; No. 2 Canada held at $1 10; No. 2 Bay Quinte $1 16.

COTTON.

New York.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Cotton easier at 13 5-16@13¼c. Futures closed weak; sales 24,000 bales; December 13 3-16@13 7-32c; January 13 9-32c; February 13⅜c; March 13 11-16@13 23-32c; April 13 29-32@13 15-16c; May 14⅛c; June 14 5-16@14⅜c.

Memphis.

MEMPHIS, December 13.—Cotton—Demand fair and market firm at 12⅛c. Sales 3,400 bales. Receipts 7,000 bales. Shipments 4,500 bales. Stock 51,000 bales.

Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, December 13.—Cotton firmer; middling uplands 7d; Orleans 7¼d. Sales of 8,000 bales, including 2,000 for speculation and export and 600 American.

New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, December 13.—Cotton—Demand good. Sales 8,850 bales. A considerable part of the business was done at an advance of ⅛@¼c. the market subsequently losing its buoyancy and closing steady at Saturday's quotations, with a leaning to outside figures. Net receipts 19,315 bales; gross 21,829 bales. Exports—Continent 7,272 bales; Great Britain 3,200 bales. Stock 209,963 bales.

DRY GOODS.

New York.

NEW YORK, December 13.—There was a moderate movement in cotton goods and large sales in bleached shirtings were made by agents at some concession in prices of certain makes; Linwood, Whitingsville and Gold Medal bleached shirtings were reduced in prices. Cottonades rather more active. Plaid prints, robes and shirtings in fair request. Western goods quiet. Sprague's fancy prints jobbing at 11c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMERS.

DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM NEW YORK.

Dekota	December 14	Liverpool.
Java	December 15	Liverpool.
Othello	December 15	Hull.
Bolivar	December 18	Glasgow.
Baltic	December 18	Liverpool.
Oder	December 18	Bremen.
City of Richmond	December 18	Liverpool.
Somerset	December 18	Bristol.
Wisconsin	December 21	Liverpool.
Russia	December 22	Liverpool.
Britannic	December 25	Liverpool.
City of Brooklyn	December 25	Liverpool.
Pereire	December 25	France.
Deutshland	December 25	Bremen.
Wyoming	December 28	Liverpool.
Colorado	December 29	Hull.
China	December 29	Liverpool.
State of Virginia	December 30	Liverpool.

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

Indiana	December 16	Liverpool
Pennsylvania	December 23	Liverpool

RIVER TELEGRAMS.

OFFICE OF THE OBSERVER, UNITED STATES SIGNAL SERVICE, PITTSBURGH, PA., December 13, 1875.

The following is the daily report of the stage of water, with changes in the twenty-four hours ending 3 P. M.:

STATIONS.	ABOVE L'WW'R		CHANGE — OR †		DIRECTION OF WIND.	STATE OF WEATHER.
	Ft.	In.	Ft.	In.		
Cairo	19	4	—0	1	N. W.	Cloudy.
Cincinnati	27	5	—0	1	N. W.	Fair.
Dubuque	4	9	..	..	W.	Fair.
Keokuk	6	11	—1	7	N. W.	Cloudy.
Leavenw'th	4	5	†1	1	S. W.	Cloudy.
Louisville	10	3	†0	5	W.	Clear.
Memphis	15	10	†0	1	N.	Clear.
Nashville	19	9	—1	10	N. W.	Fair.
Pittsburgh	7	5	—0	10	N. W.	Cloudy.
Shreveport	5	6	..	..	E.	Clear.
St. Louis	5	8	†0	1	N. W.	Cloudy.
Vicksburg	23	11	—0	7	N.	Clear.

Greensboro.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

GREENSBORO, PA., December 13, 1875.

River 6 feet 6 inches and falling. Weather cloudy.

Morgantown.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

MORGANTOWN, W. VA., December 13, 1875.

River 3 feet 10 inches and falling. Weather cloudy; thermometer 31.

Brownsville.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

BROWNSVILLE, PA., December 13, 1875.

River falling, with 7 feet 9 inches. Weather cloudy; thermometer 34.

Wheeling.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WHEELING, W. VA., December 13, 1875.

Weather cloudy and cold. River 11 feet and falling. Departed—Market Boy, Pittsburgh; Express, Parkersburg. Arrived—Andes.

Pomeroy.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

POMEROY, O., December 13, 1875.

Down—John Dippold and Fair Play. Up—Emma Graham.

Middleport.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

MIDDLEPORT, O., December 13, 1875.

River falling slowly. Up—Emma Graham. Down—Fairplay and John Dippold. Weather windy and cold.

LOUISVILLE, December 13.—Weather cool and clear. Arrived—Glasgow, Evansville; Mary Houston, New Orleans. Departed—Etna. Ironton; Houston and Glasgow, Cincinnati. River rising, with 10 feet 7 inches in canal and 8 feet 7 inches on falls.

VICKSBURG, December 13.—Down—Dean. Up—Mary Bell and Lucy Keirn. Arrived—Julia. River fell 7 inches.

CAIRO, December 13.—Arrived—Colorado, St. Louis; Coal Hill, St. Louis; Minneola, Memphis. Departed—Alf. Stevens, St. Louis; Colorado, Vicksburg; Minneola, Cincinnati. River 19 feet and falling. Weather cloudy; mercury 44.

EVANSVILLE, December 13.—Weather cloudy and cold; mercury 30 to 43 and falling. River rising with 18¾ feet on gauge. Up—Vint Shinkle, Idlewild, Grey Eagle, George Roberts, Fred. Wilson No. 2, Evansville. Down—Charles Morgan, Dickson, James D. Parker. Business active.

NEW ORLEANS, December 13.—Arrived—Peytona and Garrett and barges, Ohio river; May Lowrey, St. Louis. No departures. Weather clear and pleasant.

For Additional Dispatches see Fourth Page

RIVER NEWS.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Arrived.

Geneva	M. A. Cox	Geneva.
Elector	Abrams	Geneva.
Elizabeth	Boyd	Elizabeth.
Market Boy	Porter	Wheeling.

Departed.

Geneva	M. A. Cox	Geneva.
Elizabeth	Boyd	Elizabeth.
Elector	Abrams	Geneva.
Salt Valley	Sanford	Ironton.

MONONGAHELA—Seven feet four inches and falling.

Boats Advertised for This Day.

Brownsville and Geneva		8 A. M. and 4 P. M.
Wheeling	Market Boy	Porter...12 M.
Zanesville	Carrie Brooks	Darlington. 3 P. M.

THE marks last evening indicated seven feet four inches and falling. The weather during the day was stormy with an occasional snow storm.

BUSINESS is reported dull at St. Louis.

THE steamer Belle of Memphis is on the ways at St. Louis.

THE Salt Valley, Captain Sanford, left for Ironton on time.

WE are indebted to the officers of the Carrie Brooks for a manifest.

THE St. Louis papers are complaining of a heavy fog in that vicinity.

SENSIBLE.—Strikers at all the coal mines of Kanawha have resumed work.

THE Missouri river has risen two feet and was still rising at last accounts.

THE steamer Exchange was announced to leave Cincinnati for this port yesterday.

CAPTAIN O. P. SHINKLE'S new steamer Golden Rule is loading at Cincinnati for New Orleans.

THE Mary Bell went into New Orleans last trip with 6,100 bales of cotton and 15,000 sacks of seed.

THE packet Emma Graham is due to-day, and is announced for Cincinnati on Webnesday at 4 P. M.

MR. ED. F. MADDY, formerly clerk of the Salt Valley, is now engaged in merchandising at Cheshire, O.

THE steamboat Robert E. Lee is to be sold under a deed of trust, made by the Mobile Trade Company, at public sale on Wednesday, December 15th.

THE Fanchon left Camden for New Orleans with 1,200 bales of cotton, on a falling river, with four feet of water.

THE packet Granite State, Captain Kerr, will arrive on time and take her departure as announced in the COMMERCIAL.

THE Monongahela continues in fine navigable order. The packets arrive and depart on schedule time, 8 A. M. and 4 P. M.

THE Robert Semple, with monitor in tow, belonging to Shickle, Harrison & Co., has not as yet been able to pass Horsetail bar.

CAPTAIN TOM TAYLOR has withdrawn his Era No. 10 from the Bayou Lafourche trade and placed her in the Boeuff and Black river trade.

THE two new boats contemplated for the St. Louis and Quincy trade will be each 275 feet long, 37 feet beam and 6 feet hold. They will be fast, light draft, and have a capacity of 1,200 tons.

THE powerful towboat Iron Mountain, of Gray's Iron Line, is announced for Cairo, Memphis, Vicksburg and New Orleans. She will go through without reshipping. Shippers can rely on this.

THE fine packet Andes, Captain Charles Muhleman, takes her departure from Bellaire for Cincinnati on the arrival of the 1 P. M. train from this city. The Andes is an A No. 1 boat in all respects.

CAPTAIN L. KATES telegraphed the following from Lake Providence. The Thos. Sherlock ran through her larboard cylinder, breaking out both heads and pitman. The Lizzie Gardner is helping her up.

THE fine little packet Market Boy, Captain Porter, takes her departure this day at 12 M. for Wheeling and intermediate ports. For all necessary information call on the Patterson Brothers, on the wharfboat.

TOWBOAT NEWS—The towboat Coal Hill left St. Louis on Friday with three barges ore for Wheeling. The Ike Hammett arrived at St. Louis on Saturday, with two barges of nails. She will return with a load of iron ore.

THE Pauley condensers have again been attached to the Charles Morgan when it is expected they will work with satisfaction. The concussion of sound which was noticeable in their first trial has been obviated by the attachment of a new cam.

THE favorite packet Carrie Brooks, Captain H. Darlington, takes her departure this day at 3 P. M. for Wheeling, Marietta and Zanesville. This boat is noted for fine speed, superior accommodations, and careful and attentive officers. The clerks are Messrs. Buchanan, Pitman and Hahn.

THE Philadelphia *Price Current* says: It is said that a number of the vessels recently chartered for oil and grain cargoes were taken on speculation by exporters, and are in the market for recharter. The original charterers have already realized a handsome thing by the recent advance in rates.

THE value of American vessels involved in disasters during the past fiscal year was $30,496,030, and the value of cargoes $15,422,424; total loss to vessels, $7,422,948 to cargoes, $6,663,726; total insurance on vessels involved, $10,318,188; on cargoes, $5,858,344; loss in tonnage, 102,512 tons; lives lost, 961.

THE Cairo *Bulletin* says: The iron snagboat John N. Macomb is preparing for a cruise in the Arkansas river. Barney Crane is her pilot. The snagboat S. H. Long has removed all the snags from the channel on the Missouri side at Liberty Island, and navigation there is now comparatively safe and easy.

THE first-class packet Ashland, Captain Kyle, is announced for Cincinnati, Louisville, Evansville, Memphis and all points on the Arkansas river. Captain Kyle is a careful and gentlemanly officer, while his assistant, James Alexander, Esq., will be certain to see that passengers have the best of attention.

THE Davenport *Democrat*, in noticing the departure of Superintendent Kinnear, remarks: During his two months stay here he has made many friends by his genial and gentlemanly deportment, among the shipping community. During his absence the office will be in charge of Jim Osburn and the agent of the Diamond Jo Line.

ST. LOUIS.—The following sales have been recorded here: The K. N. Line Packet Company sells a barge, the A. J. Baker Transit Company No. 15, to the Babbage Transportation Company for $4,500. M. L. Adams, of Joliet, Ills., sells the steamer South Shore to Simeon Mayo, of East St. Louis, for $2,4000, and Mayo sells her to Pliny S. Brigham, of Chicago.

THE Inspector of Lighthouses for the Fourteenth district has officially notified the Governor of Illinois that a number of lights placed on the Illinois shore of the Ohio river have been injured or destroyed by persons maliciously disposed, to the danger of vessels navigating that river. He asked the Governor to recommend such legislation as will adequately punish such offenders.

THE total tonnage of vessels in the United States is reported to be 4,853,732 tons, an increase of 53,080 tons over that of the fiscal year ended June 30, 1874, exclusive of the canalboat tonnage, amounting to about 48,000 tons, exempt from enrollment and license under the act of Congress approved April 18, 1874. The actual increase is believed to be about 141,878 tons, this amount being the excess of gains over losses during the year; but this aggregate has been reduced to 53,080 tons (the increase first above mentioned), by omitting the tonnage of the exempted canalboats, and by corrections of tonnage returns, about 46,005 tons.

THE New Yorkers are likely to have new proof of the ability of Delaware river ship builders to construct first-class iron steamers. The Panama Railroad Company have resolved to establish a tri-monthly line between New York and San Francisco, and a line from Panama to Central America. This would require three steamers between New York and Aspinwall, five beteen Panama and San Francisco, and two between Panama and Central America, the total cost of which is estimated at $3,800,000. John Roach & Son have offered to build steamers of the Colima pattern for $425,000 each, while Wm. Cramp & Sons, of Philadelphia, offered to build them for $450,000 each. Which ever party gets the contract, the steamers will be built on the Delaware, and they will do credit to their builders.—*Philadelphia Bulletin.*

RECEIPTS OF MERCHANDISE.

Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway.

J H Parker, 10 tcs lard, 25 bxs do, 15 cases do; Reese Owens & Co, 15 bbls red oil, 25 do lard; Rea, Hill & Kerr, 10 tcs lard, 25 hf bbls do, 50 bxts do; J A Finney, 155 sks mill feed; Schomaker & Co, 200 bbls flour; Roberts & Steele, 100 bbls flour; T C Jenkins, 700 bbls flour, 160 do oat meal; S McCrickart, 10 bbls spts; M McCullough & Co, 10 bbls do; M Byrne, 5 bbls whisky; Kramer & Vogelson, 10 bbls crackers; F Evert, 25 bbls spts; Reese Owens & Co, 23 bbls g ware, 28 tcs do; E H Myers & Co, 1423 pcs bacon; Roberts & Steele, 21 bbls flour; F Sellers & Co, 15 tcs lard, 15 racks do; J S Finch & Co, 17 coils wire; John Porterfield & Co, 100 bbls flour; Allen Kirkpatrick & Co, 100 do; A & D H Chambers, 68 bbls broken glass; Reese Owens & Co, 18 bbls hams, 7 do shoulders, 121 pcs do; E H Myers & Co, 20 tcs lard, 76 hf bbls do, 100 pails do; 382 pcs bacon G A Kelley & Co, 5 barrels alcohol; Schlegel & Z, 50 bxs cheese; Walker, D & Co, 10 tcs lard, 10 hf bbls do; National Tube Works, 2 cars bar iron; Thos A Rowley, 1 car stone; A Weitz, 3 hides; Moorhead, McC & Co, 8 cars limestone; J Callery & Co, 6 hides, 1 bdl skins; Braden & P, 10 bxs butter 62 do cheese; H Rea, Jr, 6 kegs apple butter; W E Schmertz & Co, 20 bbls leather; E Fox & Co, 1 bx game; Abdiel McClure, 5 bbls sks; Voigt, O & S, 2 do; Davis, C & Co, 10 bags kegs; W B Lupton & Co, 50 bbls coal tar; P Jageman, 2 tubs cheese, 1 bbl hickory nuts; Knox, K & Co, 4 cars sand; Head, C & Co, 6 tubs butter; G Kann, 1 bx leather; F Hansel, 1 bbl flour; D Wallace, 10 cases tobc; Hubbard, Lippincott & Bakewell, 1 case saws; Wilbert & Wallace, 25 bbls eggs; T Hare & Co, 4 bbls feeders; Lyle, Barchfield & McCance, 2 crates stirrups; Howe S Machine Co, 15 boxes woodwork; Hayes & Wilson, 20 bdls patent wheels; A Speer & Son, 4 bbls castings; Head, Carson & Co, 1 do butter; Voigt & McGraw, 7 do eggs; T C Jenkins, 30 cases maizene; P Duff & Sons, 1 car handles; R Dickey & Co, 100 broom handles; Voigt, Mahood & Co, 22 bbls apples; H T Weimer & Bro, 2 do whips; H Schnellback, 1 car mill feed; J J Speck & Co, 10 bbls spts; F Kaiser & Co, 10 do; Adler, Rodelheim & Co, 10 do whisky; John Seiferth & Co, 10 do, 5 do spts; T C Jenkins, [illegible] 25 flour; Schomaker & Co, 1 car bran; Johnson, Colvin & Co, 50 bxs soap; J S Dilworth & Co, 50 do; J H Lippincott & Co, 25 bbls dried apples, 25 do peaches, 10 do blackberries; Fleming, Agnew & Co, 3 casks zinc; Curry & Metzgar, 35 bxs soap; Kennedy & Co, 5 bbls alcohol; D L Clark, 1 bbl spts; J P Smith, Son & Co, 11 bxs g ware; Lewis, Oliver & Phillips, 2 bxs hdware, 1 rack glass; Crescent Spring Co, 6 springs; Walker, Dunlevy & Co, 10 tcs lard, 10 hf-bbls do, 5 do hams; W B Hays & Son, 10 bbls mess pork.

ELEVATOR—H Agnew & Co, 1 car wheat; M Meek, 1 do rye; Marshall, Kennedy & Co, 1 do wheat; Houck, McCague & Co, 1 do corn; John Rose, 1 do oats.

Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway.

F Sellers & Co, 20 bbls oil; Thompson & Co, 2 sacks feathers; J W Taylor, 20 cads tobacco; T Sellers & Co, 25 bxs soap; E H Myers & Co, 25 kegs p feet; Jas H Parker, 10 kegs p feet; Jas Dalzell & Son, 25 bbls oil; A Speiker, 4 pails tobc; Wm Wessell, 5 bbls whisky; Jas McDonald, 25 bbls whisky; Reineman & Co, 1 bbl whisky; A Schaul, 4 cases tobc; T J Wallace, 20 pails do; Kramer & S, 3 bxs c yeast; J N Rankin, 6 bxs hdwe; G W Slap, 4 bxs c trays; Head, Carson & Co, 2 bbls beans, 16 sacks kegs; Logan, Gregg & Co, 20 wagon skeins; Valley Paper Company, 1 bale paper; W B Sloan, 2 bxs books; Logan, Gregg & Co, 2 do hinges, 2 do axes; S S Marvin & Co, 10 bbls p meal; Lang & Co, 20 bales b corn; S Curry & Metzgar, 25 bbls molasses; Weiman & Bros, 9 h tobacco; R Dickey & Co, 42 bales b corn; Hostetter & Smith, 12 bdls paper, 5 bdls sacks; Atlantic Glass Co, 2 bxs glass; William Hull, 17 bdls gr hides; T C Jenkins, 100 bbls flour; L G Graff & Co, 1 car bran, 1 do hay; Jas S Black, 2 bbls flour; R Carson, 10 bxs candies.

Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad.

Park Bros & Co, 1 car steel; J A Finney, 1 do middlings; F Alden, 1 do g stones; Stevens & M, 10 hf-bbls ale; Stevenson & F, 17 bdls paper; F Pollard, 3 bxs case; P F Scott, 1 do boots; O McClintock, 1 roll carpet; Culmer Spg Co, 316 bars steel, 1 bdl; Mutual Glass Co, 2 bxs g ware; H Sampsod, 1 coffin; S Hamilton, 2 bxs h ware; Braden & P, 100 do cheese; Demmler & Bros, 1 do h ware; Whitmore, W, L & Co, 1 pce ship blocks; G A Kelly, 12 cs vegetables; J R Weldin, 1 bdl paper; Behrens & J, 1 cs muse; Geo Wilkins, 1 cs mdse; Mayer Bros, 1 box tobacco; Reihle Bros, 1 ps cable; McClarren & McK, 1 bx herbs; J Abel, 1 keg drugs, 1 bx do; J M Walker, 1 car s pipe; J W Heney, 6 lots fur; J Kenworthy, 1 do; F Pollard, 2 emp bxs; Weiler Bros; 4 bbls whisky; J Callery, 46 g hides, 1 bdl c skin, 1 speech pelt; Paine, A & T, 50 bbls oil; M W Sackel, 4 casks e ware; W G Miller, 1 car oats; C P Dich, 1 keg sunds; W P Townsend, 1 bx hdw; Kaufman & Co, 11 do mdse; Head, C & Co, 10 do butter; Wm Clark, 1 bbl do; Birman, H & Co, 1 trunk cloth; Voigt, M & Co, 1 bx butter, 1 do beeswax; Luebbe & Bro 10 kegs barley, 5 barrels oatmeal; E H Myer, 25 bbls oil; J Painter & Son, 28 bars iron; E C Corbley, 2 bdls mdse; G D Seamon, 1 lot nh goods; M Evans, 1 do do; F G Weise, 1 book case; Weisbrod & W, 7 tubs cheese; G L Peabody, 25 bbls d peaches, 42 do apples; G Doughine, 4 bales hemp; P Duff & Son, 43 bbls beans, 3 do peaches; Demmler Bros, 1 bx hardware; J D McIlroy, 6 do mdse; G Lindof, 1 roll wire, 1 sack; J Fleming, 1 case drugs; Jacobus & N, 2 bxs s cable, 1 do h ware; Reese, G & Co, 9 bdls steel; McBane & A, 70 bgs e corn; Head, C & Co, 4 bbls beans; J H Loh & Co, 1 lot produce, 5 firkins butter; W Flaccus, 2 rolls leather; J Henderson, 1 lot drugs.

Allegheny Valley Railroad.

D F Fisher, 1 car shingles; Shoenberger, B & Co, 6 do stone; Lucy Furnace Co, 2 do; Byers, McC & Co, 1 do brick; John Megraw, 2 do stone; Irwin & H, 1 do hay; Jones & Laughlin, 1 do brick; Harbison & Walker, 1 do clay; Erkstine & Co, 2 do; J C Buffum, 6 bxs empty bottles, 1 do keg; Carter Bros, 19 bxs boots; A Bradley & Co. 3 pieces h stone, 1 bundle do; George L Peabody, 5 barrels beans; Hill & West, 8 scks rags; D Chestnut & Co, 22 bdls hides; McCullough & Smith, 5 scks rags; T C Jenkins, 1bx maccaroni; Reymer Bros, 1bx cigars; Gustave Kann, 6 bdls hides; Gustave Kann, 5 bdls hides; Paine, Ablett & T, 9 empt oil barrels; A McClure & Co, 56 scks rags; H W Buffum, 1 bbl e bottles; McCandless, J & Co, 1 case woolens; Haworth & D, 5 scks rags, 2 e barrels, 1 bx butter; Miller Bros, 1 keg paint. E Wainwright, 8 hf barrels; I Leisey, 7 e kegs; Hartley, McKee & Co, 1 roll leather; Dunbar, Furnace Co., 4 bbls 1 oil, 10 ks lea, 1 bbl grease.

Zanesville.

BY STEAMER CARRIE BROOKS—J J Pettit & Co, 3 bbls beans, 3 do eggs, 4 half do butter, 1 box eggs, 1 keg butter; Voigt, M & Co, 5 bbls beans, 2 do eggs, 2 hf do butter, 3 tubs do, 2 firkins do, 1 coop chickens; Fairman & H, 40 bbls flour, 235 sks e corn, 2 do emp sacks; A J Caywood & Co, 1 do mdse, 1 tub butter, 1 w stand, 1 b case; R W Elton, 1 keg sunds, 1 bx do; C A Warmcastle, 40 emp barrels; Dempster & H, 1 coop chickens, 1 tub butter; A B Battelle, 2 barrels produce; McBane & A, 111 sks e corn; R H Conway, 135 do do; T Brady & Co, 30 do do; J H Loh & Co, 1 bbl eggs, 1 bx butter, 1 coop chickens; Marg't Seep, 1 bx sunds, 1 bbl do, 1 basket do; Head, C & Co, 50 hf bbls, 5 tubs butter, 2 bbls eggs, 2 cases do; P Duff & Sons, 1 bx butter, 1 keg do, 1 bbl eggs; Mrs C Gross, 3 cows and calves; J Daum, 1,000 h poles; E Poersill, 34 bxs stogies, 1 do cigars; H Reisck, 2 do cigars; Fairbanks, M & Co, 2 do scales.

New Orleans.

BY STEAMER ASHLAND.—A Ackley, 7 pkgs sundries; Braden & Peabody, 44 bbls d apples, 32 do peaches; H Berger, 9 pkgs furniture; Daniel & Son, 2 bookcases; Dilworth & Co, 29 bbls molasses; P Duff & Son, 53 do; W F Eichenlaub, 31 pkgs furniture; Johnson & Colvin, 7 butts tobacco; Allen Kirkpatrick, 114 bbls molasses; Geo A Kelly & Co, 12 pkgs; Loomis & Co, 97 e bbls; B Lubin, 50 cases wine; A S Carlisle, 10 pcs furniture; Owner, 25 bxs starch, 3 do s bells; F Sellers & Co, 30 bbls oil; Stephenson & Bro, 42 bbls molasses; Voigt, Mahood & Co, 5 bbls vinegar; J H Loh, 4 firkins butter.

Receipts of Pig Metal, Blooms and Ore.

The following are the receipts of pig metal, blooms and ore for the past twenty-four hours:

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY.

	Cars.		Cars.
Caughey & H, m	5	Nimick & Co, m	17
Byers, McC & Co, m	3	Wm Mullins, s i	1
Total			26

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD.

	Cars.		Cars.
Sho'nb'g'r, B & Co, o	10	Jones & Laughlin, o	2
Reese, G & W, o	2	J McDermitt, s i	1
Cambria Iron Co., m	3	Moorhead & Co, m	1
Total			19

ALLEGHENY VALLEY RAILROAD.

	Cars.
Shoenberger, Blair & Co, o	8

BY RIVER. (Steamer Rover.)

Edgar Thomson Steel Works, s i	540

Receipts of Coal by Allegheny Valley Railroad.

	Cars.		Cars.
N Y & C G Co	64	P F W & C Ry	11
Sable Coal Co	44	C & P R R	4
Armstrong, D & Co	24		
Total			147

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Part No. 7 of "A Century After: Picturesque Glimpses of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania," has been received from the publishers, Allen, Lane & Scott and J. W. Lauderbach, Philadelphia, through their agent in this city, Preston Parr, 106 Fourth avenue. It contains a continuation of the description of Laurel Hill and vicinity, and the first pages of a chapter on Marketry in the Quaker City, with elegant illustrations. This is one of the handsomest works ever sent out by an American publisher, and does infinite credit to the taste and skill of Philadelphia.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

Library Hall—Von Bulow's First Concert.

The advent of Von Bulow and Rubinstein has marked a new era in piano forte music. It is another step and a great one in advance. Both have attained an eminence hitherto unreached by any save perhaps the able Liszt, whose creations it is the delight of each of these virtuosos to interpret. The triumphs of these men it is a great satisfaction to know are appreciated; which of itself shows the growth of the intellect; the education of the ear; and mechanical science has happily kept pace with intellectual genius, since the grand piano now makes possible a success in execution impossible half a century ago, and gives the composer a scope for his imagination which was unknown at that time.

In criticising the performance last evening we labor under a disadvantage, since we are without comparison. An entirely new school is open to us. Not having heard Rubinstein we can only deal with Von Bulow alone and merely express an opinion rather than write a criticism on his performance. Shortly after eight P. M. a small man made his appearance and bowing to the audience, sat at the piano. This was Von Bulow. The programme was a most attractive one to the connoisseur and it was evident from the merest glance that the audience was mostly composed of the lovers of music, who had assembled to hear something *recherche*. The opening number was a selection from Bach; at once a severe test on both audience and performer. It is no reflection on Herr Bulow to say that we prefer to hear this composer's works interpreted through the medium of George Morgan and a first class organ than by even Von Bulow and a Chickering. The next number, Beethoven's Sonata, No. 3, in E flat, op. 31, was better calculated to show the merits of the player. Bulow is a poet—at least, he would have been had he not been a pianist—and the performance of this work proved it. The "Allegro" was the perfection of delicacy in touch, and the most intricate of the composer's thoughts found a perfect interpretation from him who rendered the piece. The "Scherzo" was emphatically given, so emphatically that it occurred to us that Von Bulow forgot that he had not an orchestra at his side. This illusion was dispelled, however, when the "Minuetto" was given, the introduction to which was rendered with the utmost taste and feeling. No. 4, a selection from Mendelssohn, was decidedly the gem of the evening. The prelude and fugue, op. 35, No. 1, was exquisite, a perfect banquet, to which the succeeding "Leider ohne worte" were the desert. This number alone was a rich recompense to those who had faced the weather to attend. The selections from Chopin, which succeeded, showed the tact of the caterer. In four selections each succeeded the other with the utmost judgment, and were thoroughly appreciated. The concluding number by Liszt was a fitting termination to a musical feast.

It has been said Bulow is a first class hammerer; this is a mistake. Just once in a while there is a power given to the *forte* passages in the bass that gives harsh tones, but this we believe from the habit of playing with an orchestra, or possibly from using an instrument that is not entirely new, but his reading and rendering of pianoissimo passages will entirely dispel the idea of "hammering."

Von Bulow is assisted by Miss Lizzie Cronyn, who possesses a remarkably pure soprano voice, which she has under perfect control. Her accent and enunciation are good. In the second part she was deservedly encored after singing Rubinstein's "Thou'rt like unto a flower." This young lady is destined to make her mark in the musical world, notwithstanding her modest and unassuming manner.

To-morrow's concert includes instrumental selections from Beethoven, Wagner, Handel, Mozart, Shubert and Liszt. The vocal gems will be from Mercadante, Gomez, Mozart and Rossini. Such a bill of fare should tempt the most epicurean of musical tastes.

Pittsburgh Opera House.

A very good audience assembled at the Opera House, last night, to see Mr. Frank Frayne and his company in the sensational play called "Si Slocum." Mr. Frayne has been identified with the hero of the piece from the first time of its production, and, of course, has "got it down fine," to borrow an expression from the boys. He is remarkably skillful with the rifle, shooting an apple from the head of his wife while standing with his back to her, and aiming by the aid of a small mirror. Mrs. Frayne, too, shoots well. There is a well trained horse and dog in the piece, each of which adds to the interest. The company is of Mr. Frayne's own selection, and has been carefully drilled by him, so that the play passes off smoothly and without unpleasant hitches.

"Si Slocum" will be repeated to-night.

Academy of Music.

"Jack and Jill" is a pantomime fully as interesting as any of its class ever produced here. It has the old but ever new tricks, all of which were excellently done by Harry Jee, the *Clown*, Charles Chrisdie, *Pantaloon*, A. W. Maflin, *Harlequin*, and Miss Fannie Deardon, *Columbine*. The latter lady is a very graceful and agile dancer, and her efforts in this direction were warmly applauded. T. J. Ryan's Irish specialties earned for him enthusiastic recalls, while the Jee brothers' musical performance was honored with a redemand. Professor Phil. Heath is a very clever ventriloquist, and was well received. Prof. O'Reardon's performance on the "tumbleronicon" was well worth hearing. The pantomine went off glibly enough to delight a very fair sized audience. It will be repeated to-night. Those desiring seats should call early for them at Shieb's, No. 70 Fifth avenue.

Fifth Avenue Theater.

"Sam Sanford's Old Time Minstrels" opened a brief season at this house last evening. The audience was not a large one, but those who were present must have thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment, if we are to judge by their hearty applause. The programme embraced a number of songs and jokes, after the manner of negro minstrelsy as originally performed thirty-two years ago, jigs, plantation sketches, old-time hornpipes, etc., Sanford's sketch of the old Freedman, the performance concluding with Sanford's version of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," with Samuel in the role of *Uncle Tom*, in which he sang, in his inimitable style, "My Old Kentucky Home." The entertainment, as a whole, is very good, but we would mildly suggest the omission of Prof. Gardner's exemplification of "De formation of man." If it is intended to make anybody laugh it is a prodigious failure. The Old Time Minstrels will appear again this evening and to-morrow afternoon.

Trimble's Varieties Theater.

Notwithstanding the fact that there were performances at four other theaters last evening, the Varieties Theater had a full house. The new company gave an excellent entertainment, and one which drew forth round after round of applause. The same bill will be given to-night.

The Victor of Rhe.

Being released from duty this week, the Opera House stock company is devoting its whole attention to preparations for the production of Mr. J. N. Gotthold's new romantic play, the "Victor of Rhe, or Risen from the Dead." Daily rehearsals are had, and it is safe to predict that each and every member will do nearly full justice to the part assigned to him or her. With a good play, new costumes and Palmer's splendid new scenery, patrons of the Opera House are assured of something well worth going to hear and see.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Retrenchment and Reform—Points of Order Raised in Select—Six Retrenchment Ordinances Passed Finally—The Police Ordinance Passed and the Fire Ordinance Defeated in Common Branch—Representation in Select—Revisement of City Laws Proposed—Other Business of Importance.

Regular meetings of both branches of the City Council were held yesterday and the session of each was exciting and interesting. In the Select Branch there was a lengthy discussion as to the legality of the action of the Common Branch in passing the retrenchment ordinances without having referred them back to the appropriate committees. The opposition to this won claiming that the action was in accordance with law because the Retrenchment and Reform Committee had been instructed by joint resolution to act in the matter. In the Common Branch the ordinance reducing the pay of the police was passed, but that reducing the firemen was defeated by a vote of 17 ayes to 18 nays.

SELECT BRANCH.

In this branch, Dr. Gross President, in the chair, on motion of Mr. Shipton it was decided to suspend the reading of the minutes and proceed with the special order of the day, viz: the ordinances from the Retrenchment and Reform Committee touching the reduction of salaries.

WATER WORKS CIVIL ENGINEER.

Mr. Shipton called up the ordinance abolishing the offices of Civil Engineer of the new water works and placing the duties thereof upon the City Engineer, and the office of clerk of the Water Extension Committee the duties of the latter to be performed by the Water Assessor.

Mr. Aiken called attention to the point of order raised in the common branch and over ruled by the chair there viz: that under a rule of Councils ordinances upon first presentation must be referred to the proper committee before action thereon, is taken. Mr. Aiken thought the point might affect the ordinances and it would be well to settle the point. He was in favor of the retrenchment.

Mr. Braun made the point that the question did not come up in the case of the ordinance called up, and the point being correctly taken, Mr. Aiken withdrew his objection.

The ordinance was then read, and Mr. Braun desired it to be amended to take effect January 1st. 1876, instead of February 1st.

Mr. Hunter thought the ordinance should have come before the Water Committee.

Mr. Shipton held that the objection was not a proper one, and such hindrances should not be offered.

Mr. Littell sustained Mr. Shipton, while Mr. McCandless called attention to the fact that the Water Committee had acted favorably upon the matter.

The roll being the ordinance was passed finally by a vote of 47 ayes.

Mr. Brown voted no, because the action of the Common Council was not, in his opinion, proper.

Mr. Holliday presented the credentials of D. F. Geiger, member elect from the Thirty-fifth ward vice James Noble, resigned. The credentials were accepted and the gentleman was duly sworn in.

Mr. Shipton called up the ordinance reducing the salaries of employees at the old Water Works, passed in Common Council, as heretofore reported. Mr. Shipton moved a suspension of the rules and third reading and final passage.

POINT OF ORDER RAISED.

Mr. Aiken now renewed his point of order and called attention to the fact that, by the new Constitution, all bills must, after presentation, be referred to the appropriate committees before action is taken. This not having been done by Common Council, Mr. Aiken suggested that Common Council be called to joint session to correct the omission.

Mr. Shipton suggested that the ordinances be first acted upon, and, if passed, that a joint session be then held for ratification.

The chair thought the point was well taken but he thought the right to criticize the action of the Common Council might be questioned.

Mr. Aiken said it was well known, if not officially, that Common Council had not complied with the requirement of the Constitution and the Wallace bill, and he thought it not wise to pass the ordinances unless in a certainly lawful way.

THE ORDINANCE PASSED.

Considerable discussion followed and a diversity of opinion was exhibited as to how the difficulty could be got over. Mr. Bruce, Mr. Aiken and others argued that if it was found in Select Branch that the Common had not entirely complied with law it was the duty of Select to have the matter rectified.

Mr. Aiken moved for a joint session that Councils might go into Committee of the Whole to consider the matter.

Mr. Metzgar moved to amend that the ordinance now under consideration be referred to the Water Committee.

Mr. O'Neill further amended to refer to the Retrenchment and Reform Committee.

Both amendments were voted down and Mr. Aiken's motion having previously been withdrawn, was renewed, and it also was lost.

Motions were now made for the third reading and final passage of the ordinance.

Mr. McCandless moved that all the ordinances presented from C. C. be referred to the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform.

The motion was lost by a tie vote and calls were made for the question on the ordinance. The vote on the third reading and final passage of the ordinance was then called.

Messrs. Aiken and Braun voted no, stating that they did not believe the ordinance legally before Councils.

Mr. R. B. Brown voted no, explaining that he believed some of the salaries of experienced men were put too low.

Mr. H. Darlington voted no, stating "without comment." (Laughter.)

Messrs. Bruce and MacConnell declined voting because they did not believe the ordinance properly before Councils.

President Gross voted aye, stating that the official endorsement from C. C. showed it to have been legally passed there. (Applause.) He had no other than official information.

The ordinance passed finally by a vote of 38 ayes, 12 nays.

CITY ENGINEERS OFFICE.

Mr. Shipton now called up the ordinance fixing the salary of the City Engineer.

Mr. Bruce had the endorsement read and then asked the chair if the ordinance was properly before the council.

The chair announced that the endorsement was proper.

The rules being suspended Mr. Sawyer moved to make the salary $3,000 instead of $3,200.

Mr. Weldin moved to make it $2,800. Withdrawn.

The amendment of Mr. Sawyer was voted down and a call for ayes and nays not sustained.

The roll being called, the ordinance was passed by a vote of 43 to 3.

Mr. Shipton called up the ordinance fixing the salaries of the employees of the City Engineer's office.

Mr. Sawyer moved to fix the salaries of the Assistant Engineer at $100, instead of $125 per month. Lost.

The ordinance was then passed finally by a vote of 39 ayes and 1 nay.

Mr. Braun presented an agreement with the Duquesne Greys to let old City Hall for a fair for the benefit of St. Paul's Orphan Asylum. Passed.

BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Mr. Shipton called up the ordinance from C. C. fixing the salary of the Building Inspector at $1,500.

The ordinance was then passed finally by a vote of 41 ayes and 2 nays.

The City Attorney being called upon for an opinion as to the legality of the ordinances, said in effect as follows: "While there may be some doubt as to the way in which the ordinances have been passed—owing to the late time in the year, I would suggest that Councils proceed to act upon them as they deem proper." [Applause.]

Mr. R. B. Brown, Chairman of the Water Committee, presented a communication from Controller Snodgrass, setting forth that about $10,000 should be provided for the current expenses, salaries, &c. of the water works, the appropriation of the year having nearly run out. The Controller proposed a resolution providing that the amount shall be drawn from the police fund.

The communication was received.

Mr. Darlington moved to amend the resolution that the amount be drawn from the contingent fund. The amendment was lost, and resolution was adopted, the chair (Mr. Aiken) stating that there was no money in the contingent fund.

Mr. Hunter called up the viewers report on Washington street sewer, which was approved.

OTHER RETRENCHMENT ORDINANCES.

Mr. Shipton called up the ordinance fixing the salary of the City Assessor as passed by C. C., making the salary $2,000. Passed finally by a vote of 40 to 1.

Mr Kerr presented, from the Committee on Legislation, the draft of an act fixing the representation in Select Councils and asked on behalf of the committee, that it be made the special order of business for three o'clock next Monday. accepted and recommendation adopted.

Mr. Shipton called up the ordinance fixing the salaries of the Assessor and the Assistant Assessor of water rents as passed by C. C. The roll being called there were 36 ayes and 1 nay, several not voting and it requiring 38 votes the ordinance was not passed.

The ordinance fixing the salary of the messenger of councils was next taken up. In C. C. the ordinance was passed, fixing $800 as the salary.

An amendment by Mr. Hunter to make the amount $900 was lost. This ordinance also failed to pass for want of a legal majority.

THE FIRE UNDER HERRON'S HILL.

Mr. Harrison presented a resolution instructing the Board of Fire Commissions to take such measures as will effect an extinguishment of the fire in Herron Hill. Passed.

Mr. Shipton moved that when council adjourn it adjourn to meet on Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Bruce moved an amendment that the city attorney then present a written opinion on the question of the legality of the action of Common Council on the salary ordinances.

Mr. Metzgar further amended that the meeting be on Monday next.

Mr. Shipton's motion, as amended was adopted.

A number of viewers reports from C. C. were brought up and action concurred in.

An ordinance for a sewer on Main street from Carson street to the Ohio river, passed in C. C. was taken up and action concurred in.

Adjourned.

COMMON BRANCH.

This branch was called to order at 2:30 P. M., President Negley in the chair.

ABSENTEES.

The Clerk called the roll, when the following members were found to be absent: Messrs. Cuthbert, Foley, Glass, Hogle, Morrison, McNamara, Seibert and Young.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Mr. Thompson—Petition from the Board of Health, asking for the appointment of a joint committee of Councils to meet a committee of the Board in relation to cleaning the streets as a sanitary measure. Received and filed, and the following committee appointed from C. C.: Messrs. Thomson, Fox and Aull.

Mr. Fox presented three bills, viz: An ordinance supplemental to an ordinance for carrying out the provisions of section 6 of the Wallace act; an ordinance supplementary to an ordinance regulating the manner of letting the public printing; an ordinance fixing the terms of office of the Road and Street Commissioners. All three were referred to committees.

A number of other petitions on matters of no public interest were presented and referred to the proper committees.

The report of the Street Committee was presented, and received and filed. The following ordinances, from the committee, were taken up: Ordinance changing the name of First street (late Point street) to Fort street. Passed.

RETRENCHMENT AND REFORM.

Mr. Nesbit moved that the rules be suspended in order to take up the ordinances reported by the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform. Carried.

Mr. Powers, from the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform, presented an ordinance fixing the compensation to be paid the employees of the Fire Department, and moved its final passage.

PROTEST FROM THE UNDERWRITERS.

Mr. Aull presented the following:

PITTSBURGH, December 4, 1875.

To the President and Members of Select and Common Councils:

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, members of the Board of Underwriters of this city, respectfully represent to your honorable bodies that they are in a position personally, and of interest, to judge of the morale and efficiency of the Pittsburgh Fire Department. We believe that the pay of the firemen is low enough and that injurious results might follow the reduction of the same. They are on duty all of the twenty-four hours of the day and night, and their present pay, ten and one-half (10½) cents per hour, is less than the average present low rate of wages paid common laborers. The fire force is, and ought to be, composed of intelligent men, and very many of them are mechanics, while in ordinarily good times they would all command better pay than common laborers.

Should the proposed reduction take place it is natural to suppose that when times get better these men will seek other and more renumerative employment, and inferior men will take their places.

We therefore beg leave to recommend that no reduction be made in the pay of this most satisfactorily conducted and efficient department of the public service.

Thomas D. Kellar, Secretary Pennsylvania Insurance Company, of Pittsburgh.
William P. Herbert, Secretary Western Insurance Company.
Charles F. Herrosie, Secretary Allemania Insurance Company.
John Rea, Secretary Citizens Insurance Company.
J. W. J. McLain, Secretary Union Insurance Company.
Earl S. Gardner, Secretary Boatmen's F. & M. Insurance Company.
August Ammon, General Agent M. & M. Insurance Company.
William Spreistersbach, Jr., Agent Birmingham Insurance Company.
C. G. O'Donnell, Secretary Allegheny Insurance Company.
Redmund J. Grace, Insurance Agent.
John R. Gloninger, Secretary City Insurance Company.
David Campbell, Secretary Iron City Insurance Company.
William F. Gardner, Secretary Peoples Insurance Company.
F. L. Gross, Secretary German Fire Insurance Company.
James Gorden, Vice President Pittsburgh Insurance Company.
J. G. Coffin & Co., Agents Franklin, of Philadelphia.
A. J. Barr, Secretary Artesan's Insurance Company.
Chris. Noll, Agent Buffalo German Insurance Company, New York.
J. J. Albeitz, Secretary Enterprise Insurance Company.
James E. Stevenson, Secretary National Insurance Company.
J. F. Irwin, Insurance Agent.
W. R. Walther, Brewers' and Rochester Insurance Companies.
Wm. C. Hemold, Agent Germania, of Newark, N. J.
Wm. L. Jones, Insurance Agent.
A. Maderia, Agent Delaware Mutual Insurance Company.
John D. Biggert, Insurance Agent.
Swearingen & McCandless, General Agents.
George Ogden, Agent Merchants' Insurance Company.
A. P. Dain & Co., Agents Home Insurance Company.
W. J. Carson, General Agent Federal Insurance Company.
R. Edwards & Son, American Insurance Company, Philadelphia.
D. B. Allewell, Insurance Agent.
Ernst Priddat, General Agent German Insurance Company, Philadelphia.
S. S. D. Thompson, President Armenia Insurance Company.
Charles R. Witershausen, Secretary Humboldt Insurance Company.

The communication was received and filed.

Mr. Aull said he was opposed to the ordinance reducing the firemen's pay. He said while the police were on duty only ten hours out of the twenty-four, the firemen were on duty twenty-fours each day.

Mr. Powers said the question was not so much what men's services were worth as what the city could get good men to do the same work for.

After a brief speech by Mr. Boucher, in opposition to the ordinance, the ayes and nays were called on its final passage, with the following result:

Ayes—Messrs. Bindley, Buckley, Flinn, Fox, Finnerty, Felker, Hahn, Hughes, Kerr, Laughran, Meyran, Nesbit, Powers, Rowswell, Rolfe, Wainwright and President Negley—17.

Nayes—Messrs. Aull, Boucher, Boyd, Connelly, Conway, Flannery, Fritz, French, Knowland, Mears, Perchment, Pauline, Reilly, Shaltenbrand, Speakman, Smith, Thomson and Torrence—18.

So the ordinance was lost.

REDUCTION OF POLICEMEN'S PAY.

Mr. Powers next presented an ordinance reducing the pay of the police force.

Mr. Thomson spoke at some length against the passage of the ordinance, arguing that the police expenses of Pittsburgh were far below similar expenses in other cities.

Mr. Hughes said there were plenty of men as good as any on the police force walking about the streets in idleness, and who would do the work of the police for less wages than are now paid.

Mr. Powers said at every meeting of the Police Committee there were numerous applications for places on the police, and these applications, he ventured to say, would not diminish if the pay was reduced.

On the final passage of the ordinance the vote was as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Aull, Bindley, Boucher, Connelly, Conway Flinn, Flannery, Fox, Fritz, Finnerty, Felker, Hahn, Hughes, Laughran, Mears, Meyran, Nesbit, Powers, Reilly, Rolfe, Shaltenbrand, Torrence, Negley, President—23.

Nays—Messrs. Buckley, Boyd, French, Kerr, Knowland, Perchment, Pauline, Rowswell, Smith, Speakman, Thompson, Wainwright—12.

So the ordinance passed.

Also, ordinance establishing the salary of the Wharfmaster. Passed.

Also, ordinance amending section 3 of an ordinance providing for the equalization of the valuation of taxable property. Passed.

STREETS.

This closed the business of the Retrenchment and Reform Committee, and the consideration of the Street Committee's ordinances was resumed, as follows: An ordinance authorizing the grading and paving of First street, from Penn avenue to Duquesne way. Passed. An ordinance authorizing the grading, paving and curbing of Second street, from Penn avenue to Duquesne way. Passed. An ordinance authorizing the widening and paving of Green alley, from Penn avenue to Duquesne way. Passed. An ordinance authorizing the grading and paving of Green alley, from Penn avenue to Duquesne way. Passed. An ordinance authorizing the opening of Bounday street from Hill street to Hill alley, Thirty-sixth ward. Passed. An ordinance for opening of Hill alley from Boundary street to Bonndary street, Thirty-sixth ward. Passed. An ordinance providing for a preliminary examination by the Board of Viewers of all ordinances and petitions relating to the opening of streets and the construction of sewers.

The ordinance was amended by inserting the clause, "excepting from preliminary examination all improvements of street and sewers, where said improvements do not cost more than $100."

The ordinance, with the amendment, was referred back to the Street Committee.

SURVEYS.

Mr. Aull, from the Committee on Surveys, presented the following: An ordinance locating Harrison street between Fiftieth and Fifty-third streets. Passed.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Thompson presented the report of the Police Committee. Received and filed.

Mr. Rolfe—Report of the Committee on Monongahela Wharf. Received and filed.

Mr. Fox—Report of the Printing Committee. Received and filed.

Mr. Finnerty, from the Committee on Appeals, reported back, without action, the report of the viewers on the assessment of damages by grade of Main street, between Penn and Liberty avenues. Received and viewers' report approved.

SELECT COUNCIL BUSINESS.

Select Council business was then taken up, and the action of that branch concurred in, including the following: Resolution for a joint committee to confer with the Guardians of the Poor on the subject of tramps. Passed, and Messrs. Fox, Hughes and Rowswell appointed from C. C. Messrs. Breed and Metzgar were appointed from S. C.

NEW BUSINESS.

Mr. Meyran—A resolution instructing the pages to have all printed ordinances fastened in the files in the order of their numbers, before each meeting of Councils.

Clerk Booth explained that the ordinances were printed in Harrisburg, and often they did not reach the hands of the pages until two o'clock on the day of meeting—too late to place them on the files.

The resolution was passed.

Mr. Means presented a resolution from the Board of Health requesting the City Councils to furnish the Board with correct maps of all the sewers in the city. Referred to the City Engineer.

Mr. Nesbit—Resolution directing the Retrenchment and Reform Committee to report an ordinance fixing the pay of all Street and Road Commissioners and their employees. Passed.

Mr. Aull stated that for three years a fire had been burning in Herron's Hill, and today it was blazing ten feet above the surface, threatening property on Thirty-third street. He therefore moved that the Road Committee be instructed to take immediate steps to extinguish the flames. Carried.

Mr. Thomson—A resolution that a committee of seven—four from Common and three from Select Council—in conjunction with the Presidents of Councils, be appointed to revise existing laws and ordinances relative to the government of the city and report as early as possible what changes or additions are necessary to a more efficient and economical administration of its affairs, and all heads of departments are hereby instructed to report to said committee the general working of their respective departments. Passed, and Messrs. Thomson, Aull, Fox and Meyran were appointed on the part of Common Council.

Adjourned.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

United States District Court—Judge McCandless.

Thos. F. Baily, trading as T. F. Bailey & Co., of Allegheny city, filed a petition for the adjudication in bankruptcy of himself. Referred to Register Shafer.

John Holgate, bankrupt, Luzerne county. The petition of S. Osterhous & Bro., creditors, for the ascertainment and liquidation of an alleged lien. Referred to Register Willard for examination and report.

Benjamin F. Marshall and Nelson Marshall, bankrupts, Luzerne county. Rule on the assignee to show cause why he should not pay to each of said bankrupts the State exemption; returnable 28th inst.

Dale, Ross & Co., *et al.*, creditors, filed a petition in bankruptcy against Samuel A. Louder, James R. Louder and Isaac Steeley, partners, as Louder & Steeley, of Altoona. The usual order to show cause was granted. An order was made restraining certain creditors.

Andrews & Hitchcock *et al.*, vs. the Erie Rolling Mill Company, debtors, Erie. The order asked for leave to sell certain personal property was refused.

Christian Lichtenberger & Co., *et al.*, creditors, filed a petition in bankruptcy against Meier Weil and Jacob Oxenbirt, partners as M. Wiel & Co., debtors, Allegheny City. The usual order was granted, returnable 21st inst.

Conrad Reiter, bankrupt, Allegheny City. Assignee's report of the sale of certain policy of insurance confirmed subject to exceptions.

John M. Faas, bankrupt, Pittsburgh. An order was made allowing the Allemania Fire Insurance Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., to issue levari facias and sell certain real estate at Sheriff's sale.

Wm. L. Moss, bankrupt, Luzernecounty. Bankrupt's petition for discharge presented, and the usual order made for final examination before Register Willard.

U. S. Circuit Court—Judge McKennan.

A decision was rendered in the case of Thomas H. Dudley vs. The Oil Creek and Allegheny River Railroad Company, being an application to set aside the order for the sale of the road, on the ground that the company was solvent. The petition of Mr. Dudley was dismissed, at the cost of the petitioner, so the order of sale remains in force.

Common Pleas No. 1—Judges Stowe and Collier.

C. F. Meyer and wife vs. Nicholas Winters *et al.* Jury out.

George Willock *et al.* vs. James Graham. Motion and reasons for a new trial *ex parte* plaintiffs.

Thomas M. Bayne, administrator of Hugh Roberts vs. Mrs. Nancy Graham. Verdict for plaintiff for $62 59.

James E. Schwartz vs. Mary E. Haslett *et al.* Petition and appraisment presented and approved. Rule granted on the parties to appear in court on Friday, December 24, and accept or refuse said purparts at appraisement placed thereon.

Amos Mitchell vs. Isaac McGlumphy. Rule for judgment for want of a sufficient affidavit of defense.

T. S. Calhoun & Co. vs. C. Starz and wife. Action for work and labor done. Verdict for plaintiffs for $343 49.

T. S. Calhoun & Co. vs. Gregg *et al.*, and same plaintiffs vs Methany *et al.* Actions for mechanics' liens. On trial.

TRIAL LIST FOR TO-DAY.

Whiteford vs. Barton; McGonigle vs. Blake; Benzing, for use, vs. Schneider; Graham & Lyons vs. Herron *et al.*, (two cases); Rich *et al.* vs. McGurk *et al.*; Weaver vs. Phillips, Voetter *extr.* vs. Goldstrohm. Godfrey & Clark vs. Moore; Cluley vs. Shidle *et al.*, (two ceses); Reed & Co. vs. Huckestein; Myers vs. Long.

Common Pleas No. 2—Judges Ewing and White.

S. A. McClurg, administrator of John Mellor, deceased vs. Mrs. Marial B. Diamond. Action for professional services rendered in a contested will case. Jury out.

Carter and others, owners of the steamer R. J. Lockwood vs. the Eureka Insurance Company of Pittsburgh. Action to recover on a policy of insurance. Jury out.

Edward Kobb vs. Charles Herbert and Joseph Rabb (two cases) being actions for slander, are on trial before the same jury.

Judge Ewing ordered the following named defaulting jurors to be fined ten dollars each: Thomas Duffy, Robert Anderson, Charles Gibson, John P. Heisel, P. H. Hunker, Charles Harris, Alex Miller, W. J. Power, John Simon, Wm. Sheehan, and Joseph H. Smith. On hearing the case of Alex. Miller, the fine was remitted the juror being hard of hearing.

TRIAL LIST FOR TO-DAY.

Reed vs. Bell *et al.*; Reed vs. Altvater; Irwin vs. West; Geegan vs. McNish *et al.*; McGuire vs. Walters; Swissheim vs. Swissvale Laundry; Bolden vs. Keiling; City of Pittsburgh vs. Crawford; Evans *et al.* vs. Douglas; Hart vs. Rupert; Hart vs. Young; Hart vs. Miersch; Cooke vs. Reese, Graff & Wood.

Orphans' Court—Judge Hawkins.

[The following is a report of the business transacted in this Court on Saturday. The report published yesterday had been inadvertently copied from an old minute book.]

Rebecca F. Lightner, deceased. Petition for citation to executors to account, allowed under rule, etc.

Estate of Ephraim Buffington, deceased. In partition. Time for return of rule on heirs extended to 29th inst.

Theodore Huesken appointed guardian of Gustave Hoffstetter *et al.* Bond filed and approved.

Estate of Mrs. B. A. Negley, deceased. Supplemental petition of T. A. Mellor *et al.* presented, and citation awarded to George G. Negley, to account, etc.

Widow's appraisments in the estate of Robert Smith and Joseph Donnelly, deceased, presented and approved *nisi*.

In re guardianship of Franz, Hattenger *et al.* Bond of guardian presented and approved.

Estate of Francis McClure, deceased. Petition of Richard McClure, recognisor, presented and leave granted to pay into court $900 for distribution.

Mary E. Bell, minor. Petition presented, and upon choice of petitioner William Hill appointed guardian.

Estate of Chas. Ohlinger, deceased. Petition of administrator presented to set aside sale of real estate to Harry Moore and for alias order of sale. Rule granted to show cause, returnable 22d inst.

Estate of J. W. Johnston, deceased. Report of sale made, presented and confirmed *nisi*.

Estate of Eliza Strong, deceased. Sale of real estate confirmed absolutely.

Estate of James Ingles, deceased. Testimony taken for purpose of distribution of balance in hands of executors. Decree made.

Estate of Rose Hannon, deceased. Report of sale made, presented and confirmed *nisi*. Bond approved.

Estate of Burnet Gilliland, deceased. Upon petition of Lydia Wallace, Thos. M. Marshall, Esq., appointed trustee under the will, to give bond, etc.

Patrick Neville, minor. Rule of citation granted on Edward Kelly to pay over money in his hands. as guardian.

Estate of Robert Robison, deceased. Hill Burgwin, Esq., administrator *de bonis non*, discharged.

Albert Hoyer and others, minors. Petition presented and Wm. Hinkle appointed guardian.

Quarter Sessions—Judge Sterrett.

The Court decided the matter touching the alleged irregularity in the drawing of Dr. W. J. Gilmore, as a grand juror. The Judge stated that the evidence was satisfactory, that the name of Dr. Gilmore had been placed in the wheel and properly drawn therefrom. He therefore ordered Dr. Gilmore to take his seat with the other jurors. The case of Charles Jeremy was held over for the present.

Stephen Dyer, indicted for barratry, on oath of Mary Ann Weigand, was convicted.

Rule granted to show cause why Second street, in Port Perry, between Monroe and Adams streets, shall not be closed up and vacated, said rule to be publicly announced, and if sufficient reason be not shown, the rule to be made absolute.

One or two trifling assault and battery cases were next heard.

The Court will take up this morning the case of William Green, indicted for murder.

Dr. Von Bulow.

In an article on Dr. Von Bulow's concerts, the Boston *Daily Advertiser* says: "A good workman may do well with poor tools, but a good workman will do better with good tools. The good tools we have in mind now are the pianos which the Messrs. Chickering have furnished for these concerts. They have been tried, severely tried, and have not been found wanting in any good quality which attaches to a piano forte. All critical hearers have, we believe, expressed perfect satisfaction with the Chickering instruments. But the most valuable indorsement is, after all, that made by Von Bulow himself, in selecting the Chickering pianos for his use during his American tour."

The Chickering pianos are represented in our city by the well known house of Mellor & Hoene, who are now receiving a magnificent assortment of the Chickering pianos, expressly for the holiday trade, Warerooms No. 79 Fifth avenue.

THE INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

First Annual Report of the Board of Directors—Financial Statement.

The Board of Directors of the Tradesmen's Industrial Institute met yesterday, when the first annual report was presented for approval. As it comes to us the report is in such a shape that, had we room for its publication, it would be an endless work, not to say impossibility, for us to arrange it. It opens with a history of the Institute and touches upon the difficulties encountered in the selection of a site for the building, and in raising funds for the construction of the same, and then states that the work of preparing for and holding the Exposition was submitted to an Executive Committee, consisting at first of three and afterwards increased to five members. The powers of the Board were vested in this committee, and they proceeded at once to erect the building and make preparation for the Exposition. Reference is next made to the grand civic display at the opening of the Exposition, then to the demand for space beyond the limits of the building and to the rules and regulations under which premiums were awarded.

In conclusion the report says: When it is fully considered what has been accomplished in so short a time, in the midst of an almost unparalelled depression in business circles and the lack of sympathy on the part of the general public to the enterprise, the success of the Exposition itself, which is universally conceded to have been among the finest displays of art, of mechanical skill and of manufactured articles ever exhibited in any place—the very extensive and truly ornamental building, which the Institute now possesses, with so small an incumbrance of debt upon them as contrasted with its value, it remains for the membership to consider whether the Board, but more particularly the committee upon whom the vast labor chiefly rested, have wisely and well executed the trust confided to them.

The report was received and adopted, together with the following accompanying

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Report of C. C. Coleman, Treasurer, showing the receipts and expenditures to date:

RECEIPTS.

Guarantee fund	$28,843 69
Life membership	9,050 00
Annual membership	435 00
Sale of privileges	2,467 00
Entry fees	3,083 00
Ticket sales	50,054 06
Total	$93,942 75

EXPENDITURES.

Building contract	$53,515 31
Building fixtures	6,174 02
Expenses—Employees	10,400 71
Advertising	6,345 00
Gas	2,071 13
Postage	495 00
Music	3,540 00
Art Department	648 95
Excursions	284 75
Printing	1,809 85
Sundries	1,662 00
Insurance	1,400 00
Balance on hand	674 69
Total	$93,942 75

This does not include bills amounting to perhaps $20,000, not yet settled.

THE DUQUESNE INCLINE.

Proposed Retrocession of the Thirty-Second and Thirty-Fifth Wards.

As will be seen by reference to our advertising columns the Duquesne Inclined Plane Company will ask the Legislature for a charter this winter. The stock is all taken and it is proposed to go actively to work as soon as the spring weather opens. This important enterprise established, to supplement the new Point bridge, now well under way, and a large area of territory on the South Side will be vastly benefited, as it will be brought within a few minutes' travel of the business portion of the city.

It will also be observed that a card signed by three leading citizens, J. C. Shaler, S. S. Boggs and A. P. Norton, is likewise published, giving legal notice of an intention to apply to the next Legislature for the repeal of so much of the consolidation act as applies to the Thirty-second and Thirty-fifth wards—old Mount Washington and Union boroughs. The enormous taxation, without any corresponding benefit—and with no prospect of receiving such benefit for years to come—has induced this step, and it is believed that a sense of justice and equity will induce the city to permit the repealing act to pass.

Real Estate Transfers.

DECEMBER 13, 1875.

The following deeds were recorded in the office of Ralph J. Richardson, Recorder:

John Fisher to Robert Henderson, June 25, 1866, Johnson's plan, Reserve township	$ 400
Louis Lier to Gottleib C. F. Franz, Nov. 2, 1875, lot on Washington avenue, Allegheny, 33x128 feet	2,800
Robley D. Beatty to Samuel K. Schwenk, Dec. 11, 1875, eight lots in the borough of Verona (3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12), in Parker's plan; also three lots in the Nineteenth ward, having a front of 175 feet on Melion street by 170 feet deep; also the undivided half interest in a tract containing twelve and eight-tenths acres, on Stanton avenue, and along line of Alex Negley's property	14,200
Joseph Keeling, John Nusser and Bernard Krugh to the Mount Oliver Inclined Plane Company, Oct. 18, 1875, three lots in Bishop Domenec's plan	500
J. H. Hennibucher to George J. Hennibucher, December 1, 1875; lot in Shaler township	300
Conrad Freund to John Graebing, May 1, 1871; three lots in the Seventh ward, Allegheny, each 22 feet on Center street by 80 feet deep, with buildings	8,000
John Kelly to Michael McTighe, October 5, 1875; lot on Charlotte street, Lawrenceville	1
James S. Richardson to John Willock, November 27, 1875; two lots in the Eleventh ward, Pittsburgh, on Wylie avenue and Roberts street, with buildings	1,500
John Murray to William J. Neelis, July 23, 1872; lots 3 and 4 in McLain & Maple's plan, Lower St. Clair township	450

The East End Fire.

The fire at East Liberty yesterday morning, reported in yesterday's COMMERCIAL, resulted in the total destruction of the Drover's Hotel, a large three-story frame building, owned by the Tomer heirs and Mr. Kirkpatrick. The furniture in the hotel was insured to the amount of $2,500. A two-story frame dwelling on the east side of the hotel, owned by A. C. Brand and occupied by Mr. Portser, and a frame building owned and occupied by Henry Schoof, a saloon, were partly burned. The total loss is about $8,000, which is nearly covered by insurance. A defective flue in a small shoe shop near Schoof's building caused the fire.

Coroner's Inquest.

The Coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of Mary M. Albertson, who dropped dead in Cain's shoe store, on Market street, about noon. Verdict, heart disease. Deceased was about forty years of age, resided at No. 4 Liberty street, and leaves four children.

An inquest was also held on the body of an unknown man, found floating in the river near Neville Island. Verdict, found drowned. In the pocket was found a German Catholic medal of the "Holy Family," and a paper on which was written the words "St. Francis Hospital, Lawrenceville." Deceased was about sixty years of age.

Fire in Allegheny.

About nine o'clock last night the Allegheny firemen were called to the corner of Sandusky street and Church avenue, where fire was discovered in the livery stable of Charles, Peebles & McGuire. It was caused by the ignition of some soot which had collected in a crock in the floor over the office, which surrounded the stovepipe. The damage done was very slight.

Election of County Solicitor.

Stephen H. Geyer, Esq., who has so ably filled the office of county solicitor for a number of years past, was yesterday unanimously re-elected for a term of three years, at a salary of $800 per annum. He had no competitor for the place, a fact which speaks for him. The office is filled by the County Commissioners and the Controller.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

THE Central Board of Education meets this afternoon.

THE Allegheny Board of School Controlers meet this evening.

ADVERTISEMENTS of sheriffs' sales are generally read with interest and costs.

THE recent accident to the eye of a young lady in the shooting gallery of the Homeopathic fair, should be a warning.

THE employees in the machinery department of the American Iron Works have agreed to accept a reduction of five per cent.

THE Police Committee of Allegheny Councils have investigated the charge of Mr. Golden against Chief of Police Ross, and found that the Chief was not present when Dave Hall struck Mr. G.

THE sub-committee of the Allegheny Council committees, appointed to consider the petition of the Northwestern Railroad Company for the right of way through the city, held another meeting last evening, but did nothing worthy of note.

A GRAND concert will come off at College Hall, Beaver, Thursday, December 16th. Prof. Blessner, formerly of this city, will assist Prof. Jackson on that occasion. President Taylor has arranged for the Erie afternoon train to stop on that day at Bridgewater station to accommodate those attending the concert.

FREDERICK HUNNING, a butcher, residing on Center avenue, made an information yesterday before Mayor McCarthy, charging Frederick and Joseph Streuter with entering his slaughter house and stealing therefrom a quantity of beef, lard, etc. The accused were arrested, and after a hearing before the Mayor were committed to jail for trial.

ON SUNDAY evening, during the absence of the family at church, the residence of Mr. J. P. Bingamen, No. 99 Roberts street, Eleventh ward, was entered, and the following articles stolen: One silver spoon holder marked, "T. S. B;" one silver card stand, same mark; set of silver table and tea spoons, marked "B;" set of silver forks, similar mark; one silver fruit dish; one brown chinchilla overcoat, single breasted. The thieves entered the house through the cellar, and after ascending to the upper stories, lighted the gas, and proceeded to ransack bureaus, trunks, closets, &c., turning everything in the house topsey turvey.

THE PITTSBURGH AND CONNELLSVILLE RAILROAD.

Meetings of Directors and Stockholders—The Road Leased to the Baltimore and Ohio Company for Fifty Years—&c, &c.

The Board of Directors of the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad Company held a meeting at their office in the city yesterday. The Directors elected on the 6th inst., who were present, were qualified. The company was organized by the election of Mr. John King, Jr., President, Mr. J. B. Washington Secretary, and Mr. Chas. Donnelly Treasurer.

The Board passed resolutions approving the proposed lease of the road to the Baltimore and Ohio company for fifty years from January 1, 1876, and recommending the consolidated mortgage upon the Pittsburgh and Connellsville road for £2,200,000, which looks to the retiring of the first mortgage and Turtle creek bonds at maturity, and the second mortgage bonds of the company.

After the adjournment of the directors' meeting the stockholders held a meeting, at which, after discussion and some opposition from a minority of eight hundred and twenty-three shares in the aggregate, the contract with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company was ratified by a vote of 28,574 to 5 against. The resolutions in regard to the consolidated mortgage were also adopted unanimously, by a vote of 28,584.

Reporters were excluded from both meetings, and the above report was furnished by the Secretary, which fact must be our apology for its meagreness and indefiniteness.

REV. JOHN G. BROWN, D. D., of this city, who was called by the United Presbyterian Church of Springfield to become its pastor, has declined to accept the call.

EXTENSIVE PREPARATIONS.

Fine Goods for the Holidays.

Messrs. Reymer Brothers, Nos. 126, 128 and 130 Wood street, are making a magnificent display of fine goods for the holiday season. It is not necessary to go into details in order to demonstrate to the people of Pittsburgh that this house stands at the head of the list in the manufacture of fine confections, nor, indeed, need we state at length that it has always been the one principle of the firm to produce nothing but the purest and best of everything. These facts will readily suggest themselves to all who may visit their establishment during the holiday season, and those who are looking for delicious fruits wherewith to make the Christmas feast enjoyable, will find here a choice selection of Jamaica and Havana oranges, limes, bananas, California fresh pears, Malaga grapes, &c. The celebrated Pittsburgh chocolate caramels and Cuban flake are manufactured by this establishment exclusively, and are taking the lead.

Von Bulow's Choice.

The elegant upright Chickering & Sons' Piano, which received the highest praise as the best upright on exhibition at our late Exposition, has been selected for Von Bulow's private use at the Monongahela House during his stay here. The selection of the Chickering Piano by this distinguished pianoforte virtuoso as the best instrument for his use agrees with the choice of such players as Thalberg, Gottschalk, Wehli and other leading players. For durability they have no equal, as thousands of families can testify who have had them in use from twenty to fifty years. The Chickering Piano has no competitor that can point to as satisfactory a record as they can. Messrs. Mellor & Hoene, 79 Fifth avenue, are sole agents for Chickering & Son's Piano, and will sell them cheap and on reasonable payments.

Old Folk's Concert.

Some sixteen ladies and gentlemen have been rehearsing for sometime, preparing for an Old Folks Concert to be given in the new edifice of the Fourth avenue Baptist church on Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. From the well known musical abilities of the performers we can promise our readers a rare treat. The olden time costumes will be a very attractive feature, some of them being actually over one hundred years old. The concert is being held under the auspices of the Ladies Christian Bazarr of the church.

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Fine Assortment

of plain and fancy cakes, for which this establishment is celebrated. P. Schildecker, No. 22 Diamond street.

"Send Me Your Photograph."

Few requests are more common than this among friends and acquaintances, and they will become still more common when it comes to be more widely known that one of our most experienced artists, Mr. B. L. H. Dabbs, at his new location, No. 174 Liberty street, has added largely to his facilities for taking pictures to the very life. He has succeeded so admirably hitherto that it will give him some trouble to surpass himself; but this with his unexcelled light and with all the latest improvements in photographing he proposes to do. The holiday season is a popular time for the exchange of photograpy, and those who contemplate having their pictures taken, should go at the earliest day (taking their friends with them) to the establishment of Mr. Dabbs, whom they will find an adept in his line of art as well as most courteous in his attentions and moderate in his charges. Visit the new rooms of Mr. Dabbs and you will see on every side the convincing evidences of his ability.

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It is an inate principal in man to seek enjoyment, and this desire finds its rise in early childhood and progresses on through life until old age. This, then, being a fixed principal, the parent uses every means to make home attractive and his children happy, and we know of no better way to do this, especially duridg the coming Holidays, than to provide the children with innocent amusement in the way of games. Messrs. Gildenfenny & Co., Fifth avenue, are now showing a splendid assortment of home games, games of authors, &c. In addition to this they have a fine line of presentation books, both in prose and verse; also elegant writing desks of the most beautiful designs, from $10 to $25. Fine inlaid checker-boards, pearl card cases in great variety and beautiful designs, fine Russia leather goods, a large and varied assortment. The prices at this house are within reach of all.

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These pills open the bowels and correct all bilious derangements without salivation or any of the injurious effects of calomel or other poisons. The secretion of bile is promoted by these pills, as will be seen by the altered color of the stools, and disappearing of the sallow complexion and cleansing of the tongue.

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DIED:

CARR—On Friday evening, December 10, 1875, SAMUEL WATSON CARR.

The funeral will take place from the Monongahela House on WEDNESDAY MORNING, December 15, at 10 o'clock, to proceed to Allegheny cemetery for interment. Friends of the deceased are respectfully invited to attend.

CHAMBERS—Monday morning, December 13, 1875, of consumption, ALEXANDER CHAMBERS, JR.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, No. 181 First avenue, on WEDNESDAY MORNING, at 10 o'clock.

CHAMBERS—Monday morning, December 13, 1875, of brain fever, HARVEY A. CHAMBERS, son of Alexander Chambers, Jr., deceased, and Caroline Chambers, aged eleven years.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his parents, No. 181 First avenue, on WEDNESDAY MORNING, at 10 o'clock. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

PATTERSON—Suddenly on Monday morning, December 13, 1875, at 1 o'clock, LOUISA DAWSON, second daughter of the late Hon. John L. Dawson, and wife of Henry W. Patterson.

Funeral on WEDNESDAY, December 15, at 2 o'clock P. M., from Trinity Church, Sixth avenue.

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ADDITIONAL RIVER DISPATCHES.

CINCINNATI, December 13.—River 27 feet 3 inches and falling. Weather clear and cold. Arrived—Susie Silver, New Orleans. Departed—Nashville, Tennessee river.

MEMPHIS, December 13.—River rose an inch, Weather cloudy and warm. Arrived—Ella, White river; Andy Baum, Cincinnati; Bismarck, St. Louis. Departed—Lizzie Gardner and Gen. Means, Ohio river; Alton, St. Louis; Talle Arlington, New Orleans; Alice Brown, Tennessee river; Joe Kinney, Vicksburg.

NASHVILLE, December 13.—River rising, with 22 feet on shoals. Arrived—Eddyville, Cairo; Little Condor, Cincinnati. Departed—Bermuda, Cairo.

ST. LOUIS, December 13.—Arrived—Hammett and Fearless and barges, Ohio River; Bee and barges and Commonwealth, New Orleans; Ste. Genevieve, Memphis. Departed—Fearless, Cairo; Ste. Genevieve, Memphis. River risen 6 inches. Weather cloudy during the day; clear to-night and mild.

ADDITIONAL MARKETS.

COTTON.

Galveston.

GALVESTON, December 13.—Market strong and good demand; offerings light; middlings 12⅝c. Net receipts 5,840 bales. Exports—Great Britain 3,319 bales; Channel 1,844 bales; coastwise 2,036 bales. Sales 2,347 bales.

Savannah.

SAVANNAH, December 13.—Market easier; middling 12 3-16c. Net receipts 5,843 bales. Exports—France 2,102 bales; coastwise 3,917 bales. Sales 2,391 bales.

Charleston.

CHARLESTON, December 13.—Market quiet; middling 12⅝@12 15-16c. Net receipts 3,612 bales. Exports—Continent 1,800 bales; coastwise 2,320 bales. Sales 1,500 bales.

Mobile.

MOBILE, December 13.—Cotton steady; middling 12⅝@12¾c. Net receipts 5,096 bales. Exports—Continent 1,110 bales; coastwise 200 bales; Channel 1,010 bales. Sales 2,500 bales.

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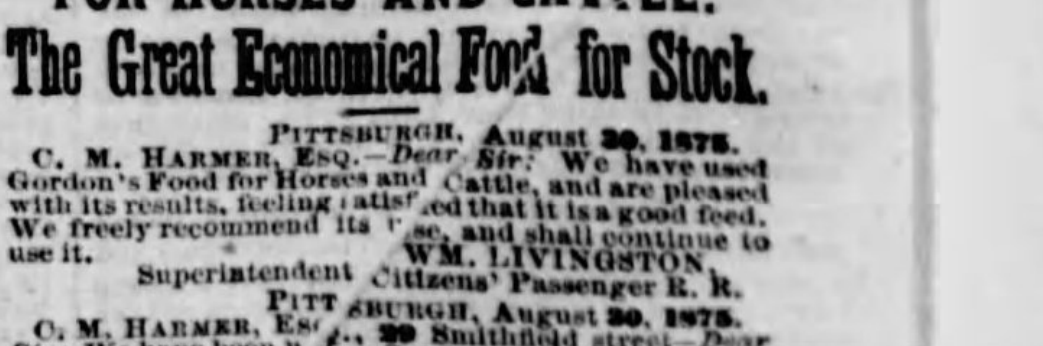

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